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## British Airways Tells Virgin Atlantic: 'Sorry'

By Erik Ipsen

LONDON — In the front row of Court 13 in London's High Court building, Richard Branson sat beaming on Monday afternoon. With his longish hair and a light green suit, he with his longish hair and a light green suit, he was clearly the odd man out in a chamber packed to its richly carved walls with men wearing black robes and white powdered

British Airways had agreed to settle a libel suit filed by Virgin Atlantic Airways by publicty apologizing and paving court costs for both sides. The dispute had begun when Vir-gin accused British Airways of "dirty tricks" such as poaching Virgin passengers.

Mr. Branson had come to court for public vindication, and that is what he got. In the second row, British Airways' bewigged counsel, Christopher Clark, rose after a long speech delivered by Virgin's counsel, the re-nowned libel lawyer George Carman.

In a speech that ran to a mere 149 words, Mr. Clark conceded complete and total de-

> By Marc Fisher Washington Post Service

BERLIN - Frustrated by Germany's long

debate over its future military role, the secre-

tary-general of the United Nations, Butros Bu-

tros Ghali, dropped diplomatic niceties on Monday and told officials here that the world

needed "Germany's full participation" in UN

"We don't need so much money. We need real

as those participating in the military operation

ed that the German Constitution forbade the

use of combat troops except to defend German

or NATO territory.

But in recent months, as German political

parties disagreed over the reunified country's military doctrine. Mr. Kohl reversed himself, saying the constitution did allow Germany to

join operations staged by its allies or the United

said it would ask Germany's highest court to

The Social Democratic parliamentary leader, Hans-Ulrich Klose, said that Mr. Butros Ghali

The United Nations, he said in an interview with German radio, should be satisfied with Germany playing a leading role in aid to developing countries and in global efforts to protect

But Mr. Buttos Ghali is so eager to have

German parucipation in UN military missions

that he said he would reward such a step by

endorsing German efforts to have UN develop-

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should stay out of the German debate.

block any such assistance.

the environment.

Until recently, Mr. Kohi's government insist-

military operations.

participation on the ground."

in Somalia and in the Gulf War.

feat, "On behalf of the defendants, I accept all that my learned friend has said," intoned Mr. Clark, who went on to say that BA and its chairman, Lord King, "apologize unreserved-

Mr. Carman had outlined Virgin's case for libel against BA and lionized the upstart airline's founder as a man with "an international reputation in the field of human en-

In the corridor, young Virgin employees eagerly handed out glossy white binders embizioned with the atrline's red logo and containing a victory statement from Mr. Branson as well as copies of the lawyers' statements, Nowhere in evidence was Lord King, BA's

septuagenarian chairman. For Virgin and its founder, the hearing left little to be desired. In addition to the public apology British Airways has agreed to pay damages totaling £500,000 (\$770,000) to Mr. Branson, and £110,000 to Virgin, and to pick up Virgin's legal tah in its entirety — about inillion.

'UN Leader Calls German Military Role a 'Must'

Ever keen to seize his opportunates, Mr. Branson said in his statement: "Although Virgin Atlantic is a small independent airline. our competitive threat obviously proved too much for certain people at British Airways." And although he expressed the hope that

the BA "leopard has changed its spots," he insisted that this case proved that the Davids of the airline industry needed government protection from the industry's Goliaths. BA, which bills itself as "the world's favorite airline," has now not only badly tarnished

that image but also bugely boosted Virgin's

standing as one of the world's most popular

new curners. Having once dismissed Mr. Branson as a mere publicity seeker, BA, in apologizing, has succeeded in making him a hero and, even more ominously, underlined his credentials as a serious-minded airline operator not to be sold short by any passenger, much less regu-lator. The actual cost to British Arways of

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Richard Branson savoring victory in his libel suit against British Airways.

## **Security Council Debates Iraq Raids**

### Butros Ghali Urges a 'Stiff' Response, But Only a Condemnation Is in Sight

UNITED NATIONS, New York - The Security Council on Monday debated a statement condemning frag's border incursions and seizure of weapons in Kuwait. Baghdad's latest violations of the Guff War cease-lire.

But the 15-member council was unlikely to punish Iraq beyond the measures it already has taken, a sweeping economic embargo and a requirement that it destroy its most dangerous

The Security Council called an emergency session after frag's second incursion into Ku-wait early Monday. Its first incursion took

place Sunday. Diplomatic sources who saw an early draft said the council's statement would be nonbinding, would condemn the Iraqi border incursions

and demand that Iraq return the weapons it had Representatives of the United States, Russia. France and Britain already had warned Iraq about the incursions and weapons seizures in a meeting with Iraq's ambassador to the United

Vauons on Sunday, diplomatic sources said. Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali said Monday that he hoped the Security Council would deliver a "very stiff answer" to President Saddam Hussein.

"We cannot admit this kind of violation and hese kind of threats to a member state of the United Nations, which is Kuwait," he said in

[Robert M. Gates, the outgoing CIA director, told Reuters that Baghdad was still shifting anti-aircraft missiles inside the two quarantine zones patrolled by allied aircraft.

["There's still a lot of activity," he said, the moving around of surface-to-air missile butteries, "both north of 36 and south of 32," a reference to the no-flight zones north of the 36th parallel and south of the 32d parallel. The zones were created to bring air protection to Iraqi Kurds and Shiite Muslims.)

Tensions with Iraq had eased Saturday when U.S. officials confirmed that the Baghdad govcriment had complied with their demands and removed anti-aircraft missiles from southern Iraq. The missiles were in an area the United States and its allies had declared off-limits to

Iraqi military flights to protect rebel Shifte

Iraq also banned UN flights to and over Iraq, hampering a UN effort to dismantle Mr. Saddam's stocks and production of chemical, nu-clear and biological weapons.

The latest dispute focuses on Iraq's border with Kuwait. Iraq is facing a Friday deadline set by the Security Council to remove property now considered to be on Kuwaiti territory.

A UN commission established the new border between Irao and Kuwait in November, in accordance with Security Council resolutions stemming from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in August 1990. The new border took effect in November, but the council gave Iraq until Friday to remove its nonmilitary property as well as six lraqi police posts from the territory. The council required, however, that Iraq arrange for the removal with UN observers.

Abdel Lauf Kabbaj, a UN spokesman in Kuwait, said 120 unarmed Iraqis on Monday crossed the new border and went to a former Iraqi naval base, 400 yards inside Kuwait. They emptied or removed warehouses, water tanks and electrical wires, he said.

On Sunday, 200 Iraqis, some carrying pistols, went to the same area and seized weapons, including explosives and four Chinese-built anti-ship Silkworm missiles, ahandoned by Iraq during the war.

Nizar Hamdoon, Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations, said his government had received permission from the UN observers, known as Unikons, for the operations and attributed the dispute to mixed signals.

"We were cooperating with the Unikom teams there, but there was probably, just recently two days ago, some misunderstanding from their part." Mr. Hamdoon said.

Youssef M. Ibrahim of The New York Times reported from Cairo:

The Iraqi foreign minister, Mohammed Said Sahhaf, said Monday in Cairo that the 500 Iraqi military and civilian personnel who crossed the borders went there to retrieve equipment and machinery that belonged to Iraq.

The area is a no-man's land but will belong to See IRAQ, Page 4

# This must happen," Mr. Butros Ghati said after meetings with Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel in Bonn. Although Germany is the third-largest contributor to the UN hudget, German troops have not participated in international coalitions such The issue remains politically divisive. Last month, when Mr. Kohl said that Germany would send 1,500 soldiers to Somalia to help out after U.S. forces had brought hostilities to an end, the opposition Social Democratic Party

Helmut Kohl and Butros Butros Ghali reviewing a guard of honor on Monday before their talks at the chancellery in Bonn.

## Beijing Is Rejecting 'Rational Dialogue,' Patten Says

By Michael Richardson

International Herald Tribane HONG KONG - In the midst of a bruising battle with China that is undermining confidence in Hong Kong's vibrant economy, Chris Patten, the governor of the British colony, said Monday that he could not understand why Beijing took such strong exception to his "very modest" proposals for democrat-

In an interview with editors of the Internanoual Herald Tribune, Mr. Patten appeared baffled and frustrated by Beijing's refusal to even discuss the proposals.

For a non-China specialist, these are arcana that are difficult to fathom," he said.

protect the interests of Hong Kong.

But he said he was faced with "torrents of rhetoric from the north" that were eroding public support for the reform plan. "If you believe in a rational dialogue and you are dealing with people for some of the time who don't, you are obviously over a period of time at something of a disadvantage," he said.

Beijing strongly opposes the Patten proposals, fearing that they will trigger demands for greater democracy in China itself and make Hong Kong more difficult to control when it returns to Chinese rule in 1997.

Threats by Chinese officials to reverse any democratic changes and dishonor major contracts reached without Beijtailspin in recent weeks, weakened property prices and led to

growing opposition to the proposed reforms from many members of the colony's influential business community. Mr. Patten said, however, that despite this opposition, he would present his plan on Tuesday in legislative form to Hong Kong's Executive Council, an advisory cabinet to the governor. The proposals will then go to the Legislative Council for

debate, probably later this mouth. Mr. Patten said that while his plan might he changed, he would be surprised if the council "did not agree to proposals at

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### Bosnian Serbs Renounce Call for a Separate State

By Blaine Harden Washington Post Service

GENEVA - Bosnian Serbs, under intense diplomatic pressure and facing threats of Western military intervention, moved toward concessions on Monday that could end the Bosnian

The Bosnian Serb leader, Radovan Karadzic, backed down from his long-standing demand that a sovereign Serbian state be carved out of Bosnia, saying that he would sign "an insurance

At the same time, President Slobodan Milosevic of Serhia, the nationalist hard-liner whom Western governments regard as the instigator of the savage nine-month war in Bosnia, arrived in Geneva to participate personally in peace talks for the first time in five months.

Mr. Milosevic, whom the U.S. government has said is politically responsible for war crimes in Bosnia, described the Geneva plan for dividing Bosnia up into 10 autonomous provinces

under a weak central government as a "a very serious approach" that could be the basis of a sting and just peace."

Mr. Milosevic's pronouncements, along with Mr. Karadzic's new yow that "we don't demand

a state within a state in the proper sense of the word," suggested that the Serbs were close to accepting a deal that could halt the bloodiest and most destructive war in Europe since World War II.

In Paris, Defense Minister Pierre Joxe poured cold water Monday on a suggestion by Foreign Minister Roland Dumas that France was ready to act alone and use force if necessary to free prisoners from Serbian camps in Bosnia, Remers reported.

["I think Dumas was misinterpreted," Mr. Joxe said on French television. "What Dumas said," he added, "and what President François. Mitterrand says is that France is available if the United Nations decides on action and is ready.

to go ahead together with others."

[Reacting to reports of rape and torture in the camps. Mr. Dumas said Sunday that France might on its own send relief convoys under military escort to liberate the camps. He quoted General Philippe Morillon, the commander of UN forces in Bosnia, as saying that he had the military means to carry out the plan.

The Bosnian Serbs, with Mr. Milosevic as

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## Japan's Changing Menus

### Rice, the Traditional Staple, Gives Way To Beef, Kentucky Fried and Big Macs keep its rice market closed. The government

By T. R. Reid

TOKYO - In a statistical study that reflects the continued Westernization of this traditional Asian society. Japan's Agriculture Ministry says that meat and dairy products have replaced rice as the chief cash crop of Japanese farmers.

Japan has been a rice-growing society for well over 1.000 years; rice planting and rice harvest rituals are crucial elements of the nation's culture, tradition and the indigenous religion, Shinto. But the government's latest annual report on farm production says that rice, for the first time in history, is now a secondary concern for Japanese agriculture.
The report by the Ministry of Agriculture.

Foresty and Fisheries shows that meat and dairy - counted as a single product here. because the same farms produce both —passed rice in domestic market share in 1991, the year covered by the latest report. Ministry officials predict the dominance of meat and dairy and the decline of rice will continue at least through

The farm figures reflect a fundamental this decade. change in the Japanese diet. It is a transformation visible each day at noon in every Japanese city, as tens of millions of people lurn away from the traditional hunch of rice halls wrapped in seaweed to form long lines in front of places like McDonald's and Kentucky Fried Chicken, which now rank as the No. 1 and No. 2 most

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popular restaurants in Japan. The new data came as a blow to the Japanese government's campaign to continue its nearly total ban on imports of rice. Despite enormous pressure in the current GATT round of internasional trade talks. Japan has been fighting to argues that this is necessary to ensure continued domestic production. In fact, though, the new data suggest that

imports of agricultural products actually increase domesuc production.

The surge in meat and dairy products in the 1991 figures came after the government liberal-ized meal imports. Farm interests here had warned that permitting meat imports from the United States, Australia and elsewhere would destroy the high-cost domestic meat industry. Instead, the government study showed, lowerpriced imports increased overall demand and turned out to be a boon for Japan's meat

Some economists in Japan argue that the same phenomenon could occur if low-price foreign rice could be sold here.

This news may be ticklish for the Japanese argument against liberalizing rice," the financial newspaper Nikkei Shimbun noted Monday in reporting the latest farm figures.

One reason for rice's fall from its traditional No. 1 position is that farmers, foreseeing an eventual end to the import ban, are moving out of rice production into other cash crops. Not only meal and dairy but also fruits, vegetables, mushrooms and other crops are on the increase, while rice production remains flat.

Some American experts on Japan argue that this ancient society is highly resistant to change; others maintain that Japan is becoming more like America all the time. Dietary trends

here support the latter view. Per-capita rice consumption has fallen by nearly 50 percent in the last 30 years, according to government data. Far more than other na-See RICE, Page 11



The violence spread in the city despite the deployment of thousands of troops. Page 2.

### Kiosk Russia-Nordic Nations Pact on Arctic

#### OSLO (AP) - Russia and the Nordic land, Iceland and Denmark. The Council of the Euro-Arctic Region, also called the Ba-rents region, will promote trade and cooper-ation between their provinces near the Bacountries agreed on Monday to form a joint council hoping to revive the cooperation in their Arcuc regions that was put on hold

The declaration was signed by the foreign

ministers of Russia, Norway, Sweden, Fin-

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rents Sea, the ministers said after a one-day

meeting in the northern Norway town of

Clinton's

Kirkenes, near the Russian border.

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### L.A. Tourists Come Away With Visions of . . . Beirut?

By Kristina Sauerwein Los Angeles Times Service

LOS ANGELES - Donald Kreipl felt cheated. For his 40th hirthday, he flew here from Germany to celebrate with "the heavy metal rockers who hang out in Hollywood."

But after roaming Hollywood Boulevard for two days, he said, he had seen only tacky shops, littered streets, crime and "What happened to all the rock stars?" he asked, tugging at his leather-studded vest and faded jeans. "I heard that they

were all over the place." Jama Purser of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, said that she never expected parts of Los Angeles to look like television images of Beirut — but that Lebanon came to mind as she explored the city. "LA is definitely different than I imagined," she said. But some of the people were "kind of amus-

And bizarre. "I saw Jesus two times." she said. Downtown, an impersonator preached next to a manger, and in the beach community of Redondo Beach, a man dressed in a long robe lugged a 12-foot-by-6-foot (3.6-meter-by-1.8-meter) cross on the street. "They don't have Jesus in North Carolina." she said.

Despite the spring riors and the June earthquake, tourists keep coming to Los Angeles - albeit in smaller numbers. What's more, they still turn up in parts of the city - downtown, Hollywood — that might seem puzzling destinations to those who live here. Some tourists say that they try to ignore the dilapidated scenery and poverty in hopes of fulfilling their fantasies of glamour and celebrity.

"Most tourists have an idealized idea of Hollywood and downtown L.A., when in reality there's not much to see," said David Koven, manager of Al Moss Travel in West Los Angeles. "Once they see all the problems, a lot of them say, 'Never

It is not as if they have not been warned. Sue Powell, a travel counselor in Northfield, Minnesota, said clients who want to visit the West Coast frequently failed to realize that Los Angeles was an expensive, crime-ridden city. "It's difficult to convince them that L.A. is different from small towns like Northfield or the ones in Europe," she said.

Alan Gravitt and Linda Alexander of Fort Worth, Texas, came to Hollywood with plans of gazing at the celebrities and "living it up" in hip restaurants, shops and hotels.

But reality changed their plans. A "No Prostitution" sign above their bed in a hotel room on Vine Street, cockroaches and soiled sheets compelled them to

hunt for another place to sleep. "The hotel budding looked nice from the outside," Ms. Alexander said. "I expected a hotel in Hollywood to be niceand glamorous. But even the bad hotels in Texas are fairly nice

### Rebels in Angola Regroup and Attack In 3 Eastern Cities

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

LUANDA, Angola - UNITA rebels counterattacked from the highlands around three eastern Angolan cities on Monday after a military strike over the weekend killed hundreds and left rebel headquarters to government hands, news re-

UNITA regrouped in the hills after defeats in provincial capitals of Luena, Knito and Huambo and attacked the cities at dawn Monday with heavy artillery, Angolan national radio reported.

UNITA radio claimed victory in Kuito, 325 kilometers (200 miles) southeast of Luanda, and said government troops had fled leaving hundreds dead in the streets. Jonas Savimbi, the leader of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, said on rebel radio that he continued to command UNITA from his headquarters in Huambo. "It is a lie that my house is in MPLA hands." Mr. Savimbi declared, referring to the ruling Popular Movement for the Liberation of

Angola.
"I am talking to you from Huambo," he said. "Our soldiers and officers bave behaved with bravery and resolve, as during the last attack. I am at my post and will remain

The battle for Huambo, Angola's second-most-important city, has been raging for three days, with little independent information reaching the outside and both sides issuing wildly conflicting claims.

Diplomats in the capital, Luanda, said Monday that they believed the government had the upper hand and that most UNITA troops day said that government troops had captured Mr. Savimbi's headquarters, a villa known as "the White House" near Huambo airport, and that his supporters were

The government's chief of staff, General João de Matos, denied the UNITA reports and said government troops held the towns and continued to drive the rebels into the deserts of eastern Angola.

Parliament is to meet this week to consider a declaration of open war against UNITA, Prime Minister Marcolino Moco said on narional radio, adding that a bid for peace talks had broken down when government and UNITA leaders could not agree on a site.

Fighting broke out on Oct. 31, after Mr. Savimbi rejected the results of multiparty elections in Sep-tember that were intended to put an end to Angola's 16-year civil

The rebels lost n parliamentary majority to the ruling Popular Movement, and Mr. Savimbi trailed President Jose Eduardo dos Santos in the first round of the presidential voting. Mr. dos Santos fell half a percentage point short of the majority needed to avoid a secand round of voting.

When fighting resumed, rebel forces occupied more than half of this southern African country, including territory rich to diamonds in the north and several towns near Luanda, the capital, .

In the last week, government and rebel troops have battled in 15 of Angola's 18 provinces, with the rehand and that most UNITA troops bels suffering costly defeats in had retreated to the outskirts of the western and central Angolan cities.

(AP, Reuters)

### **New Deployment Fails** To Quell Bombay Riots

Compiled by Our Staff From Disparches BOMBAY - Rioting between Hindus and Muslims spread to new areas of India's financial capital on Monday despite curiews and the Rao ordered federal troops in on deployment of thousands of army Sunday, giving them orders to

Extra forces were rushed to Bombay, a city of 12 million, and convoys of heavily armed soldiers imposed an uneasy calm in some areas worst affected by the fighting. The violence, bowever, struck

Banks, the stock exchange, major commodity markets and busi-nesses closed down, as shops and cars were set ablaze and looters ransacked stores.

The violence triggered an exodus of Muslims from the city after riot-ers set afire sbops and bomes belonging to Muslims during the weekend.

"There is a total breakdown of law and order," said G. M. Banatwala, a leader of the Indian Union Muslim League and former

member of Parliament. At least eight more people were killed in Bombay on Monday and seven more in the western city of Ahmedabad, raising the combined death toll in six days of clashes to 215, according to police and hospi-

Much of Ahmedabad was under curlew, forcing authorities to cancel a one-day cricket match between India and England scheduled for Saturday.

At least 158 people have been killed in Bombay and more than

700 injured. Police and community leaders say the clashes are linked to the razing of the 16-century Babri Mosque in the northern Indian town of Ayodhya by thousands of

Hindu extremists on Dec. 6. Paramilitary border security forces began moving into Bombay from New Delhi on Monday to reenforce police and other federal and army forces whose presence had failed to curb the violence.

Scores of people were stranded at Bombay's international airport as taxi drivers refused to take people to most parts of the city because

of fears of mob attacks. Dozens of bouses and shops were gutted in fires set Sunday, and many fires burned throughout the

night.
The Dharavi district, which has seen some of the worst violence, is one of eight districts of Bombay under a daily 22-hour curfew, but

streets in some areas, throwing gas-oline bombs and other makeshift explosive devices.

tant Hindu Shiv Sena, or Lord Shiva's Army, which has been blamed for much of the violence, said that Hindus had a right to attack Mus-

We are only hitting back," he said. "We have to, otherwise we will be crushed

election commission called off three parliamentary by-elections because of the violence.

A statement from the commis-Feb. 15 in three constituencies for the lower house of Parliament, and for 13 seats to various state assemblies, had been postponed. It said campaigning could foment vio-

The violence also spilled over into Indian's relations with Pakistan, which bowed on Monday to an Indian demand that it reduce its embassy staff in New Delhi.

India asked Pakistan on Sunday to reduce the number of staff to 110 from 159 within a month, in the latest diplomatic dispute between the two countries, triggered by the

destruction of the mosque in India.
The demand was made in apparent retaliation for one by Pakistan last month that New Delhi reduce its consulate general staff in Kara-

chi to 20 from 62 by Jan. 31. (AFP, Reuters)

Prime Minister P. V. Narasimha

Bal Thackery, leader of the mili-

In New Delhi on Monday, the

The weapons sweep occurred as fighting appeared to slacken in the Wardigle area of the city, where members of the Murasaade clan on Sunday gunned down men, women and children allied with General Mohammed of the city and is one of two dominant war-

A Marine searching a wheelbarrow for guns in Mogadishn's main market square on Monday. About 900 Marines swept the area.

Marines Clamp Down in Mogadishu

General Aidid's followers have complained bitterly that U.S. military forces have done nothing to stop the Murasade attacks even as they have turned up the heat on General Aidid, seizing his weapons and stag-ing an assault on one of his fortified com-pounds last week.

But U.S. officials played down the signifi-cance of Sunday's violence and denied that they were taking sides in factional politics

bere. "We're not going to be the meat in their sandwich," the special U.S. envoy, Robert B. Oakley, said Monday.

Mr. Oakley cailed the Murasade attacks "an isolated incident," adding, "I don't think anything that bappened bere yesterday points to a continuation of an escalation of incident."

U.S. military commanders, for their part, bave insisted they are taking an equal-opportunity approach to disarmament, tracking down heavy weapons caches without regard

to clan affiliation or local politics.
Colonel Michael W. Hagee, a senior operations planner here, offered evidence for that claim Monday, revealing to reporters that U.S. combat troops on Saturday seized a major Murasade weapons cache north of Mogadishu. The troops confiscated 10 antisircraft guns, 16 bowitzers and one multiplerocket launcher from the Murasade clansmen, who did not offer any resistance, Colonel Hagee said.

ments "for safekeeping until such time as a Much of the weaponry was destroyed in place, or turned toto "very large paper-weights," as Colonel Hagee put it.

After a period to which U.S. combat forces

largely experienced this city's clan violence as passive bystanders, the Marines have begun to step up their activities here, moving aggreswracked by civil strife and banditry. Mr. Hagee told reporters Monday that Task Force Mogadishu, which consists of 1,000 Marines encamped at a soccer stadium here, in several days will begin sending 30 patrols a day into city streets, double the

The Marine presence has been applanded by many Somalis, but it also has caused resentment among some who see the U.S. combat forces as a threat to their power and livelihoods -a fact that may explain continued sniper fire and other attacks on U.S.

military targets here. "The ability of the military leaders to control their followers, which was never absolute, suspect has decreased somewhat," Mr. Oakley said. "The so-called armies are not fightg each other, or doing so much looting. Therefore their source of revenue, their pur-pose in life, is suffering. This is blamed on the United States.

Monday's operation on the Bakara arms market was the largest of its kind to date. The market is considered the largest arms bazzar in the city and, for that matter, in all of Somalia. In the past, arms merchants dis-played samples of their wares in tin-roofed stalls alongside vegetable and commodity stands, sending runners to nearby warehouses when shopper made their selection.

Many Somalis appeared to welcome the operation and pointed out arms warehouses to the combat troops, according to several Marine officers who participated. But the scizure followed by just a few days a similar operation at Mogadishn's Arjantin gun mar-ket here, and Colonel Hagee acknowledged that arms merchants may well have anticipated the Marines' arrival at the Bakara market.

"It would not surprise me if some of the

# France Toughens on an African Ritual

By Marlise Simons

By John Lancaster

and Keith B. Richburg

Washington Paul Service
MOGADISHU. Somalia — U.S. Marines
on Monday further tightened the screws on
the armed bandits and warring factions that
continue to terrorize this city, staging a day-

long raid on its largest arms market and announcing plans to double the number of

In a noisy but bloodless operation that began around 7 A.M. Monday and continued through much of the day, 900 combat troops

scaled off an area around the Bakara arms market, a warren of market stalls and crum-

bling warehouses that offers everything from

Kalashnikov assault rifles to vegetables and cooking charcoal. Marines conducted a simi-

lar operation in an arms market last week.

tions agreed Monday to declare an immedi-

ate cease-fire and start disarming their mili-

tias of beavy weapons, but diplomats

doubted that warlords could deliver lasting

["A cease-fire monitoring group comprised of United Nations troops shall be established

immediately," said a statement issued at the

UN-sponsored talks between 15 factions to

The statement added that a monitoring

group would take possession of all beavy

weapons under the control of political move-

legitimate Somali government can take them

peace, news agencies reported. ·

the Ethiopian capital.

In Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Somalia's fac-

combat patrols on city streets.

New York Times Service PARIS - Condemning a widely practiced African custom as a crime, a French court has sent a Gambian woman to jail for mutilating the genitals of two baby

She is the first African parent to go to prison here for this age-old Muslim ritual, even though health workers and women's groups have warned immigrants for close to 10

week to five years' imprisonment,

years that the practice is illegal. The Gambian immigrant, Ten-

four of them suspended, on charges stitching up of the vagina. Oppo-of causing the wounding and muti-nents say the practice, which relation of minors. The police have not found the midwife who performed the operation, which is known as female circumcision.

Last year, in the first case of its kind, a midwife from Mali working in Paris was sentenced to eight years in prison after three babies on whom she operated bled to death. In the seven previous mutilation trials to France, parents found guilty got suspended sentences. The mutilation removes the cli-

eng Jahate, 34, was sentenced last toris and part or all of the labia and is sometimes combined with the

duces or prevents sexual pleasure, was originally applied in Muslim countries to control women and was falsely described as a religious demand made by the Koran. Doctors have jestified that the custom often leads to severe infections, bleeding and sometimes death among children and creates health and child-bearing problems later.

The sentence is intended as a warning to bundreds of thousands of African immigrants in France. It is also likely to have an effect throughout Western Europe.

Western health workers and women's groups, who have long de-nounced female circumcision as barbaric, have said they are virtually powerless in the face of a centurics-old tradition practiced in more than 20 African nations and some regions of Asia. By some estimates, it has been performed on 80 million women alive today.

Now, as more and more Muslim immigrants bring the ritual to Europe, critics are trying to abolish the practice. Reports of the operation have stirred sharp criticism in Italy, Britain, the Netherlands,

### Sweden, and Switzerland. Miyazawa **Opens Tour**

In Jakarta Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches JAKARTA - Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa of Japan arrived in Jakarta on Monday on the first leg of a Southeast Asian tour and was immediately urged to open up his country's economy and to recognize that Japan's own security needs should not overshadow those of its neighbors.

"More tariff barriers should be removed," State Secretary Murdione of Indonesia told reporters. He said President Suharto, in formal talks with Mr. Miyazawa, might raise the issue of high tariffs on Indonesian plywood, one of the country's biggest exports.

An editorial to the Jakarta Post called for stronger Japanese assurances backed by action to open up its economy.

'Asian countries still have doubts about the good intention of Japan," the editorial said. President Subarto, who last year

took over as chairman of the 108member Nonaligned Movement, will repeat his request to speak to the Group of Seven industrial countries. A Nonaligned Movement meet-

ing in Jakarta last September called on industrial countries to spread more wealth to the developing

Japanese officials in Tokyo said Mr. Miyazawa would stress the importance of a continuing U.S. military presence in the region in his talks in Indonesia. Malaysia, Thailand and Brunei. (Reuters, AP)

### WORLD BRIEFS

**Arab League Meeting on Deportees** 

CAIRO (Reuters) — Arab ministers began talks Monday on Israel's expulsion of more than 400 Palestinians. Diplomats said they would debate a proposal for a strict United Nations timetable for their return

and a demand for immediate sanctions against Israel.

Hundreds of Muslim students demonstrated for the second day outside Cairo University, a few blocks from the Israeli Embassy. They burned Israeli flags. Many students holding Korans chanted anti-Israeli slogans. Policemen kept a close watch but did not intervene.

At the opening session of the ministerial meeting, the secretary-general of the Arab League, Esmat Abdel Megnid, said, "We appeal to all peace-loving nations not to allow Israel to violate international law this time and to follow loternational legitimacy by forcing it to return the depor-

### Kohl Rebukes Coalition Partners

BONN (NYT) — As new charges of scandal swirled around Germany's coalition government, Chancellor Heimut Kohl delivered a stiff rebuke to his junior coalition partner Monday for the way it had presumed to dictate his acceptance of a new economics minister last

The nominee, Gunter Rexrodt of the Free Democratic Party, said Friday night after his party leadership had voted to nominate him that Chancellor Kohl had no choice but to accept him. Later Mr. Rexrodi, who succeeded Jürgen W. Möllemann after he quit io a scandal over

who succeeded Jürgen W. Möllemann after he quit to a scandal over letters that Mr. Möllemann had signed to help a cousin's business, described his own remarks as "stupid." Mr. Kohi called Mr. Rextodi's remarks "unacceptable" on Monday in a sharply worded letter to Otto Lambsdorff, the Free Democrats' chairman.

Meanwhile, a spokesman said Monday that the chancellor would not support calls for the resignation of Housing Minister Irmgard Schwaetzer, another Free Democrat, because of a recently disclosed statement that she made at the request of a Munich real-estate investment concern. Mrs. Schwaetzer said in a contribution to a house organ concern. Mrs. Schwaetzer said in a contribution to a house organ published by Germania Investment Management GmbH that the company could make "valuable contributions" to solving the problems of housing and office space, both of which are in acute shortage in East

UN Still Hopes for Cambodian Vote

PHNOM PENH (Reuters) — Yasushi Akashi, head of the United Nations peacekeeping force to Cambodia that is trying to cope with Khmer Rouge intransigence and escalating political violence, said Monday that he still boped to hold elections by May.

Elections could not be held in the current political climate, he said, but

he reaffirmed his intention to proceed with two national polls by May "at the latest." He spoke on his return from a Beijing meeting with the Cambodian head of state. Prince Norodom Sihanouk, Mr. Akashi heads the 22,000-strong UN team which is charged with supervising two elections for Cambodia: one for a president and another for a constituent

The UN mission has been plagued with difficulties caused primarily by the armed instransigence of the radical Khmer Rouge guerrilla faction and escalating incidents of violence directed against opposition political

### German Hurt in Asylum Hostel Fight

MAGDEBURG, Germany — A German security guard was seriously injured Monday when he tried to break up a fight to a foreign asylum hostel between a Turkish and Romanian refugee, the police said.

The guard at a hostel in the eastern city of Magdeburg had one of his jugular veins cut open and survived only because he was immediately

After the locident, a fight broke out between Turks and Romanians in which four asylum seekers were injured before the brawl was ended by the arrival of the police. Seven hostel residents were arrested. The police said they did not know why the violence had broken out.

#### Police Halt an Anti-Suharto Protest

JAKARTA (AP) — Riot policemen broke up a demonstration Monday by about 250 students camped out near a political party's meeting to oppose a sixth five-year term for President Suharto, a student spokesman

About 50 policemen beat some of the demonstrators, injuring two, according to a spokesman for a group calling itself the People's Demo-

The demonstrators had spent a night in three tents near the site where the Indonesian Democratic Party, the nation's smallest party, was to meet Monday and Tuesday to discuss its choice for president. It had intended to stay until the meeting's end in Kopo, a mountain resort about 80 kilometers (50 miles) southeast of Jakarta, he said. The party is the only faction in the People's Consultative Assembly that bas yet decided its presidential candidate. The other four factions all have expressed support for Mr. Suharto.

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#### Troops Attack in Ex-Soviet Republic

MOSCOW — Pro-Communist government troops in Tajikistan launched an offensive on Monday to disarm rebels in the hreakaway Pamir region to the latest outbreak of violence in the Central Asian

Saidamir Zukhurov, chairman of the Tajik national security committee, said government forces from Kofirnikhon, east of the capital of Dushanbe, were to disarm clans and "put an end to chaos" in towns under opposition control to Rogun and Obigarm, the Russian press agency, ltar-Tass, reported.

The attack was the latest in a monthlong crackdown against Muslim and democratic opposition forces and to particular against armed clans in the southeast Pamir region, which has threatened to declare iodependence over the past months.

#### For the Record

Algeria has executed two Muslim fundamentalists in connection with the attack on a naval facility in February, the Justice Ministry said Monday. Forty-eight men had been sentenced to death in Algeria in the past year, but these were first reported executions.



TROUBLE IN ATHENS — A policeman in Athens subduing a demonstrator Monday, as hundreds of university students marked the death of a teacher two years ago at a protest.

#### TRAVEL UPDATE

Zambia Airways said Monday that it had suspended all its international flights after more than half its pilots went on strike demanding higher salaries. Domestic flights continued.

The private Indonesian Boursq Airline is to add three Boeing 737s to its fleet, the Antara news agency said Monday. The company currently operates 14 Hawker Siddeley HS-748s and three Viscounts. (AFP) The mumber of Japanese going abroad is likely to rise by 4.2 percent, to 12.3 million this year, Japan Travel Bureau Inc. said Monday. (AFP)

Eleven cities throughout listy imposed traffic bans Monday in an attempt to reduce dangerously high levels of pollution. From Milan in the north to Naples in the south, bans of up to seven hours were enforced. after levels of carbon monoxide and nitrogen monoxide shot up. In Rome, driving was banned between 3:30 P.M. and 7 P.M. (AP)



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### Soldier of Fortune Magazine Is Loser in Court

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday let stand a \$4.3 million judgment against Soldier of Fortune magazine, a development that could put the magazine out of business

The court, without comment, refused to review the award won by two sons of a murdered Georgia man whose business partner had hired an assassin through a personal ad in the magazine.

The magazine had argued that the awaro violated free-speech rights in the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. In upholding the award in August by a 2-to-1 vote, the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of

Appeals said that the free-speech protections in the U.S. Constitution did not extend to

By William Schmidt

New York Times Service

SUMBURGH HEAD, Shetland

Islands — The grounded tanker

Braer was spewing oil from broken

hatches Monday, and salvage offi-

cials fear that a second night of

burricane force winds could cause

the damaged ship to spill most of

power and ran aground along this

rocky coast, the wreck - which

through the weekend was believed

was rolling heavily in a 30-foot surf

and burricane-force winds, grind-ing the underside of the bull and

causing its remaining, intact oil

tanks to rupture.

its cargo.

advertisements presenting "a substantial danger of harm to the public."

A federal jury ruled that Soldier of Fortune, published since 1975 in Boulder, Colorado, and aimed at adventurers and military enthusiasts, negligently contributed to Richard Braun's 1985 murder at his suburban

The magazine's June 1985 edition included a personal ad in which Michael Savage of-fered his services. The ad, in part, said, "GUN FOR HIRE: 37 year old mercenary desires jobs. Discrete and very private. Body guard, courier and other special skills. All jobs considered."

The magazine stopped publishing personal

Bruce Gastwirth, Mr. Braun's partner, re-sponded to Mr. Savage's ad and discussed with him plans for killing Mr. Braun. On Aug. 26, 1985, Mr. Savage and two other men went to Mr. Braun's home. As Mr. Braun and his 16-year-old son, Michael, were

leaving, Sean Doutre fatally shot Mr. Braun and wounded his son. Mr. Savage and the others involved in the murder plot were caught, convicted and imprisoped

Michael Braun and his brother, Ian, filed a wrongful-death lawsuit in 1988 against Soldier of Fortune.

In upholding the \$4.3 million award, the appeals court had said that the advertisement presented a "clearly identifiable unreason-able risk" of a violent crime.

Tanker Feared to Be Spilling All Its Oil

Geert Koffeman, of the Dutch Alaska in 1989 — and renewed No one knows how much of the company Smir Tak, which is hanfears of environmental damage oil has already spilled from the dling the salwage operation, acalong the southern coast of this ship, which has spread a patchy knowledged that there was no longer any guarantee that there would

"Most of the tanks in the forward part of the vessel are open and leaking to the sea," he said. Salvage officials said the ship's Six days after the tanker lost structure was still intact, despite a succession of January gales that have battered the wreck since last Tuesday. Salvors said the ship's still to contain most of its cargo - stern, containing the engine section, had already begun to separate from the rest of the vessel, and that cranes and other equipment on the

be any oil left on board to recover.

ship's deck were beginning to topple in the raging seas. Salvage and pollution officials Conservationists warned of the had been hopeful that salvors could renewed specter of a 26-million-Conservationists warned of the reach the beached tanker in time to gallon oil spill - twice the volume unload its remaining cargo. But of the Exxon Valdez accident in

remote island, one of Europe's ma- rainbow sheen along some 50 miles jor colonies for seabirds, seals and of coast. David Bedborough, an

"A day ago we thought we were going to get away with it," said Paul Horsman, of Greenpeace, an environmentalist group. "Now we know the area around where the tanker will be devastated."

He said the oil that had already spilled had resulted in nearly 600 bird deaths and five seal casualties, and in untold damage to the marine environment off the coast.

But pollution control officials as-royal family, Prince Charles and seried again that damage from the his father, the Duke of Edinburgh. spill, including the fresh oil leaking postponed a visit to the Shetlands, Monday, was mitigated by the rag-scheduled for Monday, to talk to ing seas, which was helping to islanders about the accident. They quickly scatter the oil, hoved to come Tuesday.

the rest of the world. Airlines canceled scheduled flights, and two members of the

official from Britain's Marine Pol-

lution Control Unit, said that the

weather had "greatly reduced" the

With forecasts calling for a sec-

ond night of winds gusting early at

more than 75 miles an hour, these

temote British islands, so far north

they are closer to Reykjavik than

London, were all but cut off from

amount of oil along the coast.

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# TRANSITION / The Clinton Team Falls Off the Pace In Filling Lineup

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Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — The Clinton transition team, which has promised a quick start on economic and other policy issues, appears to have losi its momentum at a crucial stage in its effort to staff the goverament.

Although transition officials met their deadline of naming the cabi-net by Christmas. Bill Clinton and his aides are finding the selection of a sub-cabinet an even more daunting task. There are "too many lists, too many names," said a transition source, and that "is bogging down

The sub-cabinet includes almost all of the policy-making jobs in the executive branch. Depending on how it is defined, the sub-cabinet can range from 650 to 1,800 jobs, from undersecretaries to noncareer Senior Executive Service positions. Clinton transition officials said

earlier that they hoped to have as many as 200 sub-cabinet officials named by Inauguration Day. They since have dramatically scaled back their goals. Mark D. Gearan, deputy transi-

tion director, said the transition team expected to have about 100 sub-cabinet appointments "near completion" by Jan. 20.

At the moment, he said, the team is focused on filling the most critical jobs - deputies, undersecretaries and, in some departments, assistant secretaries.

Mr. Clinton also appears to be baving trouble putting together his own White House staff. Working with his chief of staff, Thomas F. (Mack) McLarty, Mr. Clinton was expected to announce the rest of his White House assistants last week.

But there were indications Friday that Mr. Clinton might be rethinking some of his tentative decisions as he sought to balance a desire to reward key members of his campaign with his pledge to bring diversity to the White House staff.

For sub-cabinet appointments, the Clinton transition, apparently using the Reagan administration as its model, has worked to maximize its control over the appointments DIOCCSS.

The centralized operation, transition sources said, begins with a group headed by Richard Riley, a former South Carolina governor who is the education secretary-designate, taking bundreds of names - solicited and unsolicited - and winnowing them to lists of five to 10 potential candidates for each sub-cabinet job. That list, which is designated cabinet secretary, is then sent to Little Rock, Arkansas, where names can be added, subtracted or a decision made.

A centralized appointments process, as the Reagan personnel chief,

Pendleton James, said, "prevents people doing end runs on you." Mr. Clinton's "biggest problem right now is staffing the administration," Mr. James said. "What controls the government is the sub-

cabinet. It is the sub-cabinet that prepares the issue papers, frames the debates, sets the agenda that filters its way up to the cabinet and Oval Office."

Studies of previous transitions generally agree that President Jimmy Carter failed to control the subcabinet appointments, leaving it primarily to his cabinet members. and ended up in several agencies with appointers who pursued goals that diverted the Carter White House into costly political fights.

There is more to a transition than worries about process and the numbers game, said Mark A. Abramson, president of the Coun-cil for Excellence in Government, a nonprofit group of former federal

Abramson said, adding that Clinton appeared to recognize the im-portance of teamwork. "The thing that government gets stalled on is turf battles," he said. "Government comes to a grinding halt without a. sense of team."

Mr. Gearan said the Clinton transition had constructed its appointments process "to make sure it is serving the interests of Gover-

nor Clinton and Senator Gore." Transition sources said the lists of names being developed were based on merit and job qualifications. But the lists are also checked to ensure they reflect these criteria:

port diversity (appropriately representing women, minorities and regional interests). • The desires and interests of

• The campaign's pledge to sup-

Mr. Clinton and Vice Presidentelect Al Gore. • Whether the job applicant

worked on the 1992 campaign.

• Concerns of special interest Other political considerations,

such as work on Capitol Hill or the backing of a Clinton supporter.
In trying to meet all these goals,
the Clinton transition team has dramatically complicated and

slowed the selection process. When the lists are presented in Little Rock, Mr. Clinton becomes "very actively involved" in the selection process, another source

Mr. Clinton's involvement, the sources said, slows the pace of making appointments, in part bedeveloped in consultation with the cause be also must attend to foreign-policy briefings involving Iraq, Somalia and Bosnia, meet with economic advisers, and travel, such as his trip to Texas last week to meet with President Carlos Salinas de Gortari of Mexico.

### 2d Transplant Patient Gets a Baboon Liver

By Lawrence K. Altman New York Times Service

NEW YORK - A 62-year-old man has become the world's second recipient of a baboon liver at the plant, performed last June. University of Pittsburgh in a transplant that is part of an effort to overcome the species barrier and ease the growing shortage organs from human donors.

The patient was dying from bepautis B, a virus that destroyed his bver, building up bile in his blood and turning his skin a deep yellow. But his chronic, active bepatitis B infection would be likely to infect a donated human liver, making him ineligible to receive a donated human organ at most transplant centers, including the University of Pritsburgh, the largest in the oountry, officials said.

The patient, who requested confidentiality, was listed in critical confidence access for such a confidentiality.

condition, normal for such a case. The operation was the second in a planned series of four experi-ments directed by Dr. Thomas E. Starzi, the liver transplant pioneer, and approved by a committee that

evaluates the ethics of human experiments at the university. The four baboon-to-human liver experiments involve patients with hepatitis B because baboon livers. unlike human ones, are believed to

resist this viral infection. Dr. Starzl no longer performs surgery, and the operating room team was headed by Dr. John J. Fung, one of his students.

The second baboon-to-human liver transplant came one day afteri Dr. Starzi's team published a scientific report on the first such trans-

The recipient, an unidentified 35-year-old man with hepatitis B, died in September, 70 days after the transplant. An autopsy showed that the cause of death was a stroke from a fungal infection that invaded the arteries of his brain. The baboon liver in that trans-

plant functioned well without any apparent harm to the recipient, Dr. Starzl said after the autopsy. At the time, be attributed the man's death largely to technical errors and not to rejection problems. New details of factors contribut-

ing to the death of the first patient were reported Saturday in The Lancet, the British medical journal. Dr. Starzl's team linked the

man's death, in part, to damaged bile ducts and an accumulation of bile pigments, cholesterol and other debris in the liver. The surgeons said they did not know why the material accumulated, but said the sudden release of the debris containing the fungus might have contributed to the fatal stroke.

Although the first transplanted baboon liver showed no evidence of hepatitis B infection at autopsy, the doctors said the man did not



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### The Next CIA Chief: Up From Activism

Middle East and the former Soviet gic nuclear pobcy.

A former Rhodes scholar who

guard down.

Union to North Korea.

R. James Woolsey Jr., Presidentelect Bill Clinton's choice as director of Central Intelligence, like to talk about the time after the 1968 election when he found himself in a argument about the Vietnam War with the deputy secretary of de-

Like many in his generation, the 27-year-old army lieutenant fulfilling his ROTC service requirement at the Pentagon strongly opposed the war. But the deputy, Paul H. Nitze, had backed him into a corner of the exclusive F Street Club, insisting that Eugene J. McCarthy's presidential campaign had hurt the peace talks.

Lieutenant Woolsey, a founding member of the Yale Citizens for McCarthy, refused to yield,

Twenty-four years later, at 51, Mr. Woolsey has more in common with Mr. Nitze than with that young lieutenant. After a career in both Democratic and Republican administrations, Mr. Woolsey has become a conservative voice on the Clinton national security team. completing an evolution from campus activist to Washington insider vith solid credentials on military

Mr. Woolsey's detractors por-

His backers say be is just what the Clinton administration needs: a

Although be is conservative on military issues, Mr. Woolsey has demonstrated in his recent work

live long enough to show conclusively that the baboon liver was also identified by Mr. Clinton. And

### having the United Nations enforce

By Michael R. Gordon New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — Friends of peace using UN troops.

saw a professional advantage in being to the right of most of his Domocratic counterparts, becoming the Republicans' favorite Democrat and the ideal candidate to protect a Democratic White House from charges that it plans to cut military spending ton much. They say his thinking is too heavily rooted in the Cold War, when he sounded alarms about the Soviet missile threat, and that he is not the man to help the American intelligence agencies adapt to a new world.

But after more than two decades in Washington, Mr. Woolsey appears to have many more supporters in high places than opponents, including Brent Scowcroft, President George Bush's national security adviser, and Bobby Ray In-man, former deputy director of the CIA, who recommended him to Mr. Clinton.

nondogmatic conservative who has experience in overseeing intelligence programs and also has a sense of the strengths and weaknesses of intelligence reporting from his days as an arms negotiator. To his supporters, he is an accepted member of the national security establishment who is likely to be politically acceptable to intelligence agencies while having the intellect and energy to change

for the agency that be is prepared to cut the intelligence budget. And as the focus of the national security debate has changed, Mr. Woolsey has also been engaged in some ar eas that the new administration has identified as among its national security priorities.

He has talked of focusing on the problems of the spread of nuclear and chemical weapons and ethnic he has participated in studies on

#### regional tensions after the Cold members of Congress who support-War, Mr. Woolsey is most likely to

graduated from Stanford and Yale Law School, he bas, in his Wasbreconnaissance satellites, electronic interception capabilities and buman intelligence sources be foington practice, represented major military contractors and internacused on that broad swath of national contractors. The Tulsa native is taking over the American intelligence apparatus at a critical A committee that he headed did a classified study this summer at moment. Not only will he help

the request of the CIA. That study guide the Clinton administration at on reconnaissance capabilities protime of turbulence, be also faces posed a new set of priorities for intelligence gathering and outlin-ing substantial budgetary cuts. the task of redefining the CIA role. The new director will face a chal-At the same time, the agency can be expected to reduce its emphasis lenge of striking a balance between highlighting the new threats to American security and avoiding the on covert operations, which many temptation to sound the claxon at analysts think bave become less temptation to sound the claxon at

go further by directing that more

every potential crisis to protect the necessary after the end of the Cold agency from criticism that it let its He played an important national In a Dec. 2 address to the World security role advising the Reagan Mairs Council in Washington, administration, working with Mr. Affairs Council in Washington, Mr. Woolsey stressed the need to Scoweroft in drafting a compromise report for a presidential panel focus on an arc of unstable and heavily armed nations that stretchon the MX missile that became the es from North Africa, across the basis of the administration's strate-

The report recommended de-ploying the MX as well as develop-Though U.S. intelligence organizations have already begun to focus ing the small single-warhead Mid-more on the spread of weapons and getman missile. Two important a "complex and difficult agenda."

ed the panel were Representative Les Aspin, Mr. Clinton's choice to become defense secretary, and Al Gore, the Tennessee senator who is now the vice president-elect.

In the 1988 campaign, Mr. Woolsey clashed with Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts over nuclear weapons policy and ended up backing Mr. Gore's failed bid for the nomination.

Then, with the support of Mr. Scoweroft, he was named to negotiate the treaty that eut conventional armed forces in Europe, Later, as Mr. Clinton mounted a challenge to Mr. Bush, Mr. Woolsey signed a letter endorsing the Democratic candidate in August, lending his conservative credentials on military policy to Mr. Clinton when Mr. Bush was alleging that he was weak on foreign policy. Even with his impressive resume.

Mr. Woolsey has never held a post as challenging as that of director of central intelligence. Still, with his Washington credentials, he is expected to sail through the confirmation process and take on a job

### \* POLITICAL NOTES\*

Perot Now Campaigning for Money, Not Votes

DALLAS - Ross Perot is back in the public eye. He returned to the podium on Monday asking not for votes but for money.

Two months after winning almost 19 percent of the vote in his bid for president, Mr. Perot has changed his supporters' organization, United We Stand, America, into a political watchdog group.

"We will stick together one for all and all for one," he said at a

news conference. Using his organization as a base, the Dallas billionaire hopes to

maintain some political influence after President-elect Bill Clinton takes office. But Mr. Perot said he would consider it a "personal failure" if he were drawn into making another presidential bid in

Mr. Perot said the new organization would create a counterbalance to Washington's special interests, allowing the Clinton administration to proceed with government reforms and painful deficit reduction measures.

Holding up flip charts that became a kind of trademark during his presidential race, Mr. Perot urged Americans to write to his group and begin paying \$15 annual dues. He plans talk show appearances this week and 60-second TV commercials beginning Jan. 25. "Our goal is to have millions of members in every city and town

and neighborhood," he said. The organization, with a paid staff of 30 in Dallas, will monitor elected officials' voting records and follow issues, particularly government reform and deficit reduction, which Mr. Perot championed

in his independent run for president. It will not back candidates, but it may rate officeholders as other interest groups do.

Mr. Perot's 19 percent of the vote was the most of any third-party candidate since 1912. Based on that showing. Mr. Perot says he believes his organization can become a force to be reckoned with.

Mr. Perot faces some hurdles, such as more clearly defining the group's purpose and managing it better than he did his campaign. which was beset by infighting and is the subject of an FBI investigation for alleged computer hacking.

Also, Mr. Perot will bave to sustain members' interest.

#### For Democrats, Which Ball Will Be the Belle?

WASHINGTON - The inaugural committee maintains a militantly egalitarian posture about the 11 inaugural balls on Jan. 20; all are equal. But in a town constantly calibrating its rankings of the "in" and the "out," such neutrality cannot last. People want to know which events are more equal than others.

A quick rule of thumb: the more "out" something was perceived to be under the Republicans, the more "m" it is perceived to be now. In keeping with this proposition, the reception next Tuesday afternoon for the Victory Fund to benefit gay and lesbian candidates is sold out, according to Robert Deaton, a gay Arkansan familiar with the planning. He says he still bopes to find an invitation for his

rabbi from Little Rock Another party next Tuesday for Emily's List, the organization that raises money for women candidates, is attracting large numbers of Arkansans, Mr. Deaton said. Since Arkansans and women candidates both used to be "out," the effect may double the importance of

For those who trace their origins to Arkansas — a group growing at a rate the Census Bureau would bave difficulty tracking — the events of choice are rebelliously informal gatherings of Arkansans. The most rebellious of these, perhaps, is the party of the LOTL Society, a new group taking its name from George Bush's remark that Arkansas was "the Lowest of the Low" in key economic indicators. The group's logo — a buzzard perched on the corner of the state bolding an elephant and declaring, "We Ain't Trasb No More" — sold enough T-shirts to pay for an all-Inauguration Day

#### Quote/Unquote

Carol M. Browner, nominated by Mr. Clinton to head the Environmental Protection Agency: "The adversarial relationship that now exists ignores the real complexities of environmental and husiness problems."

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### **Away From Politics**

 District of Columbia health workers and 150 volunteers were to sweep through the city's homeless shelters to test residents for tuberculosis to control the resurgent disease in one of its main breeding grounds.

• Cardinal John O'Connor of New York has sharply criticized the city's decision to give the permit for the St. Patrick's Day parade to a group that will allow a gay and lesbian group to march, suggesting that the move violated the constitutional separation of church and state.

• Strong winds, heavy waves and the highest tides since last month's devastating storm caused further damage to Long Island's badly croded sand dunes, washing more homes into the Atlantic Ocean and widening breakthroughs in narrow bar-

rier beaches east of New York. • The National Commission on AIDS said the federal government needed to consider the epi-

demic as a racial issue because blacks and Hispanics were catching the disease in numbers far beyoud their share. The two groups account for 46 percent of U.S. AIDS cases, but for only 21 percent of the U.S. population.

• A man in Houston shot his 21-year-old wife to death while visiting her in a hospital psychiatric ward and then committed suicide, officials said. Saily Robinson was killed Sunday afternoon at Ben Taub Hospital by her husband, Robert, 31, said a hospital spokesman.

 A group of Cubans on a fishing trip tied up the boat's captain and headed the vessel to the United States, the Coast Guard said Monday. The boat arrived in Key West, Florida, early Sunday, towed by the cutter Sitkinak for the last few miles of the journey. It carried 14 passengers and the captain, who wants to return to Cuba. . WP, NYT, AP



Two soldiers of the Bosnian forces opposing the Serbs arriving at their camp near Sarajevo.

### TALKS: Bosnian Serbs Drop Call for Separate State

(Continued from page 1)

their patron, have been blamed by the international community for executing a land grab that was accomplished with the use of murder. torture and mass rape. Serbian terfor has forced the dislocation of about 1.6 million Bosnians, most of them Muslims.

The peace plan on offer gives the Serbs administrative control over 42 percent of Bosnian territory, a division that the plan's critics say rewards the Serbs for their brutality. The authors of the peace-plan map, however, argue that it demands a substantial roll-back by the Serbs from their war gains.

A Western source said Monday night that the co-chairmen of the talks, Cyrus R. Vance, representing the United Nations, and Lord Owen for the European Community, were likely to accept a Serbproposed amendment to their plan that would recognize "three constituent units" in Bosnia, a recogni-tion of the Serbian, Croatian and Muslim populations.

These words would not represent a big obstacle as far as the cochairmen are concerned," the source said.

Any changes, however, in the wording of the 10-point peace plan will have to be approved by the

While the Croats, who have al- should have a weak central governready given their unequivocal sup-port to the peace plan, are unlikely that the republic should not be dito object to the new wording, it seems certain that the Muslims

The Muslims, who made up 44 percent of Bosnia's prewar population and who have been the main victim of Serbian violence, have reluctantly accepted that Bosnia

#### Bosnia Condemns **UN Commanders**

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - The Bosnian government said Mooday that it had requested the replacement of the French commander of United Nations forces in Bosnia-Herzegovioa, General Philippe Morillon, and the Saraje-vo commander, General Hussein Abdel Razek of Egypt, An Ioterior Ministry spokesman

said the UN was to send an investigating team from New York to study the circumstances surrounding the assassination Friday of Deputy Prime Minister Hakija Turnilic while under UN protec-

General Morillon and his staff.

vided into ethnically governed re-gions. Serbs constitute less than a third of the population.

Haris Silajdzic, foreign minister of the Muslim-dominated Bosnian government, suggested that his government would not accept sig-nificant changes in the Geneva

It should be clear on Tuesday, with the expected return of the Bosnian president, Alija Izetbegovic, whether the Muslims will agree to a constitution that contains Serbproposed language about the cen-tral government's power deriving from three ethnic groups.

Mr. Izetbegovic, furious about the Serbs' assassination in Sarajevo last week of his deputy prime min-ister, attended the Geneva talks briefly on Sunday. He then flew off for a one-day meeting in Dakar, Senegal, with leaders of Islamic

For months, Mr. Izetbegovic has been pleading for weapons so that his forces can fight back against the well-armed Bosnian Serbs. Islamic countries have set a deadline of Jan. 15 for a negotiated end to the war, after which they are threaten-The Bosnian government previously said it had lost confidence in arms embargo on the former Yugoslavia and ship weapon to Bosnia. . dead," he added.

### **GERMANY: UN Wants Troops**

(Continued from page 1) ment agency headquarters moved

He said he was making the promise, even though from Addis Ababa to Tokyo "skyscrapers" were being built in hope of luring UN agen-

Diplomatic sources said the UN leader wanted Germany to play a larger role in the organization both to reflect its influence in Europe and to help minimize the dominance of the United States, Britain and France in UN affairs.

Mr. Kinkel said he and Mr. Butros Ghali had agreed that the question of Germany's military participation must be resolved in the coming months "or else Germany will lose its international credi-

The foreign minister said the German debate, which has focused for years on the distinction between peacekeeping and peace-making missions, had been rendered moot as operations to protect the Kurds in northern Iraq or to feed starving Somalis blurred the dividing line between the two types of action.

Mr. Butros Ghali said that Germany should participate in every type of UN military action. Mr. Kohl agreed, saying, "We as members of the United Nations not

only enjoy certain rights but also have certain obligations to fulfill." Mr. Kohl's Christian Democratic Party supports a constitutional

amendment to allow German troops to take part both in UN missions and in coalitions such as that assembled for the Gulf war. Mr. Kinkel's Free Democrats.

partners in the governing coalition. favor participation in UN missions, but not in other coalitions. The Social Democrats favor joining only peacekeeping efforts.

Despite Mr. Butros Ghali's assurances that the international community did not fear the prosnect of German troops carrying weapons outside their own country, some German politicians remain reluctant to rush 10 change the post-World War II status quo.

"Why do our own government ministers constantly deplore the fact that our troops are not in Somalia?" asked a senior Bonn official, "Yes, we have to resolve the debate over our military's role, but let's oot do it under the pressure of a crisis. As the debate continues, the

German armed forces are going ahead with plans to broaden their mission. Inspector Helge Hansen, in an advisory to troops in August. described preparations for German soldiers taking part in operations inside and outside the NATO

"Special attention in training is to be devoted to combat, as well as to registering and transporting the

### U.K. Weighs Tougher Controls on Press

By John Darnton New York Times Service

LONDON - Still recoiling from the animated press coverage of the royal family's marital woes and other scandals, the government is considering stringent curbs on British newspapers that would include fines for violators and mandated corrections and apolo-

The proposals, in a report submitted Friday to the national heritage secretary under Prime Minister John Major, have not been made public. But details were leaked this weekend to major newspapers. which promptly and roundly denounced them as tantamount to censorship.

The centerpiece of the change would be a new statutory body called the Press Complaints Tribunal, made up of a judge and two lay persons appointed by the government. It would draft a code of conduct and provide for unspecified fines for those that break it.

The tribunal would also be empowered to order offending newspapers to print correc-tions and apologies—a feature that did not sit well at all with many editors. "I'm not going to have some chapped-out

judge and two busybodies deciding what our

readers want to read," said Kelvin McKenzie,

editor of The Sun. Over the summer, The Sun raised eyebrows, and circulation, by printing intimate exerpts from what it said was an intercepted conversation between the Princess of Wales and a male friend. For those who wanted to eavesdrop on the eavesdropping, it briefly set

up a special phone number. At about the same time, another tabloid, The Mirror, splashed on the front-page phoYork, appearing topless with a male friend on

Given the controversy that the press proposals are stirring up, it is by no means certain that Mr. Major will try to convert the report into legislation or that any such legislation would pass. If be tried, the papers were quick to point out, his government would find itself in what The Daily Telegraph called

"battle royal." But that the 70-page report by Sir David Calcutt, a barrister and Master of Magdalene College at Cambridge, reached such drastic conclusions was itself seen as a measure of the frustration and anger over the behavior of Fleet Street in the last year.

The reaction runs deep in part of the Con-servative Party. "Control is long overdue," said Sir Ivan Lawrence, a Conservative MP. "The press has been warned for over a decade and told to stop their abuse of power. But all of the old problems continued, leading to the near destruction of the royal family, among

other things."

Critics of the proposals see them as an attack on the freedom of the press. "I'm very against any statutory form of censorship," said Peter Carter-Ruck, a solicitor specializing in media law. "It's an attempt to reintroduce the licensing laws of the 17th century. So we'd be going back 200 years." He was referring to parliamentary laws that issued decrees for the organization and control of printing and that criminalized the publication of treasonable, seditions or blasphemous

Besides documenting the travails of the around eminent personnages."

tographs of the Duchess of York, the estranged wife of Prince Andrew, the Duke of York, appearing topless with a male friend on Mellor, a cabinet minister whose brief ironically included the news media. He resigned in September after the papers disclosed that he was carrying on an extramarital affair with a

Spanish actress. Another is Norman Lamout, chancellor of the Exchequer. Among other things, papers, discovered that he had used public and Conservative Party funds to help pay legal bills incurred in evicting a self-described sex therapist to whom he had unwittingly rented his London home.

An additional recommendation in the Calcutt report is the passage of laws on privacy to prohibit such things as bugging telephones, trespassing and using telephoto lenses to photograph people not in public areas. Some members of Parliament predict that these might well pass while the proposal for a tribunal would not.

The proposed tribunal would take the place of the Press Complaints Commission, set up two years ago after a previous report on press misbehavior. It receives complaints, issues opinions and sets general ethical guidelines but relies on moral persuasion.

Lord McGregor of Durris, chairman of the current commission, said the proposals would be a major disaster for our democracy" by discouraging investigative reporting.

They say this is only being done to protect the privacy of individuals. But these individuals are going to be politicians, members of the government, the royal family and folk of that ilk. They want to draw a cordon samitaire

### **Dutch Plan: Raise Land Above the Seas**

By Robert L. Kroon

DELFT, Netherlands - If and when global warming and its ex-pected melting of the polar icccaps start raising sea levels — a process some climatologists believe could begin in the first half of the next century — the descendants of Hans Brinker will be ready to meet the

Fingers in dikes, of course, will not stop the tide — they never did. And raising levees and dikes may not be enough to protect this country: 60 percent of it already lies well below current North Sea levels.

Hence, two prominent Dutch scientists have come up with a new twist in the old Dutch battle against the sea, a defense strategy: Jacking up the Netherlands, or at least its 360-kilometer-long (220mile-long) coastline, may ultimately be the only solution, according to Olaf Schuiling, a professor of geochemistry at Utrecht University and Jan Nieuwenhuis, an international authority on soil mechanics from Delft.

What's more, they say such an Atlantic wall could be accomplished cost-effectively. The technology involves injection of huge quantities of sulfuric acid into the substrata of limestone underneath

the alluvial topsoil that blankets most of the Netherlands.

"Sulfuric acid reacts with calcium carbonate to form gypsum," said Mr. Nieuwenbuis, 53. "It was Schuiling's idea that by injecting sulfuric acid into coastal limestone at depths of some 500 meters, the expanding gypsum would release continuous upward pressures, because after some initial horizontal expansion it would bave no other place to go. Eventually, pressure forces spreading upward like an inverted cone would raise surface

levels over a wide area." "After more than a year of lab experiments, we think it can be done," he said.

An injection hole of 500 meters (1,650 feet) would affect a surface area with a two-kilometer diameter, according to Mr. Nieuwenhuis, This Herculean enterprise would require enormous quantities of sulfuric acid, but that would be a plus rather than a problem, the scientists say. Industrialized countries like the

Netherlands are saddled with huge surpluses of surfuric acid, an unwanted byproduct of the chemical

industry.

Even if the jack-up yield would be dissippointing, we will still reap the bonus of environment-friendly sulfuric acid disposal," Mr. Nieuwenhuis said, "In Holland

meters of acid waste every year."

In what Mr. Nieuwenhuis de-

sense out of a crazy brain wave," at the borehole site." the two scientists started with small-scale experiments in a Delft lab. The initial results were promising enough to elicit a grant of 1 million guilders (\$1,840,000) from the National Science Foundation and the Ministry of Public Works for an expanded test program that will start this month. ft will include a 50-meter experimental shaft that will be drilled into the chalky soil of Limburg Province,

"We already know that the chemical reaction works beautifully in sandy limestone, but not as well in dense and compact calcium carbonate," says Mr. Nieuwenhuis. The scientists are also planning to ran scale tests in the world's biggest geocentrifuge, a \$10 million gadget owned by Delft Geotechnics BV, the specialized soil engineering consortium in which Mr. Nieuwen-

huis is a partner.
The machine, which can produce 300 times the force of gravity, has helped configure all major Dutch

traction requires by draulic fractur-ing, which the sulfuric acid will do all by itself. It will then filter scribes as "trying to make scientific through the limestone from cracks

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Mr. Nieuwenhuis and his 150 engineers say they may face as yet imponderable problems.

"Tampering with nature on this scale is always risky and we don't want to be sorcerers' apprentices," he said, "Raising the soil may provoke earthquakes, but we think they can be held within Richter 3 magnitudes - not much more than the tremors provoked by heavy, trucks. If we get the green light from the government, we may opt for offshore drilling. Tilting windmills or beach hotels is not our idea. At any rate, jacking up the coastline will be a process over de-

Preliminary computer models show it will require 60 years of Dutch sulfuric acid waste output to raise a 320-kilometer-by-2-kilomeler coastal belt by about a meter.

Delft Geotechnics engineers think their technology may also become a good export industry. Alhydro-engineering projects as well ready inquiries have come in from as foundation parameters for the Portugal and the United States. It new Great Belt bridge in Denmark.
"We are about to embark on an inverted mining process," Mr.
Nieuwenhuis said. "Oil and gas ex-

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### An Adviser To Patten **Has Doubts**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HONG KONG — A member of Governor Chris Patten's inner circle of advisers said Monday that Hong Kong might have to "seriously consider alternatives" to Mr. Patten's proposals for democratic change in the face of furious opposition from China.

The adviser, Felice Lieh Mak, appointed by Mr. Patten three months ago to the British colooy's Executive Council, said she feared that China's constant attacks on the plans for change would undermine the local economy.

"If the economy is affected in a way that is going to be irreversible, or is going to take a few years to pick up again, then we will have to seriously consider whether there are alternatives," she said in an interview with Reuters.

Her comments were the first sign of open dissent from the council, which groups businessmen, aca-demics and government officials, since Mr. Patten announced his package of proposed constitutional changes on Oct. 7.

Members of Hong Kong's conservative business circles have ex-pressed similar worries over Mr. Patten's plans, which would increase the number of elected legislators as well as widen the voter base in elections to be held in 1995. The council member said the British-Chinese dispute over Mr. Patten's proposals had yet to inflict lasting economic damage. But she

"If this goes on for another six months there will be an erosion of investors' confidence," adding that the property market would fall and Chinese-Britisb talks on Hong Kong's return to China in 1997 would become even more deeply bogged down.

A lawyers' leader later called on the people of Hong Kong to stand up to Beijing's threats. Jacqueline Leong, chairwoman of the Hong Kong Bar Association, said:
"The time has come for Hong Kong people to stand up in defense of their legitimate entitlement un-

But some prominent members of the Hong Kong community criti-cized Mr. Patten.

der the Joint Declaration and Basic

They called on him to drop the proposals "for the long-term bene-fit" of the people of Hong Kong and to allow a smooth takeover by China. (Reuters, AFP)

#### COLONY: China's Hard Line Is 'Difficult to Fathom' the combination of Chinese entre-

(Continued from page I) the end of the day which give us clean election arrangements for.

1995 and a more broadly based" legislature.
The governor's comments, and his determination to give Hong Kong the opportunity to advance

its democratic development before the territory is banded back to China, underlined the seemingly un-bridgeable gulf between Britain and China over the issue. Mr. Patten is a former senior

politician in Britain's governing Conservative Party who has strong backing from the British govern-

He said that while it might sound 'terribly head-of-schoolisb" he was

trying to act "with a sense of hon-or" to protect the interests of Hong

"I am keen that the last chapter in the story of Empire of the Unit-ed Kingdom should be closed as decently, cleanly and honestly as Mr. Patten conceded that since

his proposals were first put forward in October, support for them in Hong Kong had been "dented" by criticism and threats from Chinese officials.

He said that businessmen should remember the relationship between the rule of law and Hong Kong's

economic prosperity.
"It is crystal clear," he said, "that what is special about Hong Kong is

prencurialism and the rule of law."

Mr. Patten said he understood why people in Hong Kong were concerned. They wanted to have "a bit more of a say in running their own lives," he said, but they also wanted the argument with China to be resolved.

The governor said that he was ready to talk to China "at any time, anywhere about these issues."

He added, however, that the present Chinese position was that such talks could only take place "if I abandon all my proposals even though they still have substantial community support and have been twice endorsed by the Legislative Council,"

### IRAQ: Security Council Debates 2 Raids Into Kuwait

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Kuwait on Jan. 15, according to the

UN ruling in November.

Iraq has disputed that ruling which among other things, allocated to Kuwait's ownership several sensitive stretches of territory, including oil fields and the naval base built up by Iraq on the Gulf during the war with Iran from 1980 to 1988 in what was deemed disputed territory between the two countries

Arab diplomats in Cairo, bowever, believed that the real purpose of the incursions was to test the incoming Clinton administration at a time when the Iraqis believe the outgoing Bush administration will be unable to act until inauguration day, on Jan. 20.

They are working on what they think is a dead period to widen their field of motion," a senior Arab diplomat said Monday. Mr. Sahhaf confirmed to the

Egyptian Middle East News Agency that Iraqi personnel had gone into the demilitarized zone. The

Turks Seize Freighter With 14 Tons of Heroin The Associated Press

ANKARA — Tipped by U.S. narcotics agents, Turkish warships seized a Panama-flagged freighter carrying 14 tons of heroin in international waters near the Suez Canal, Interior Minister Ismet Sezgin

announced Monday.
The ship was towed Monday by Turkish warships to the naval base of Aksaz near the Mediterranean resort of Marmaris. The Istanbul daily Sabah said the shipment was owned by two Turks: Sevket Cubuk, the owner of the ship, and

area was under Iraqi control for at least 15 years until the end the Gulf War in February 1991.

"These troops represent working teams for private contracting com-panies in Iraq." Mr. Sahhaf was quoted by the Middle East News Agency as having told other Arab foreign ministers who are meeting in Cairo to look into the situation of 415 Palestinians deported by Israel to Lebanon more than two weeks ago. "The teams took this step to transport the remaining equipment of the Iraqi forces left there during the war."

Other Iraqi officials, including Ambassador Hamdoon, adopted the same argument stating that Iraq was operating under an agree-ment with the United Nations to remove equipment that belonged to it before a deadline fell due on Jan.

Mr. Hamdoon maintained that a misunderstanding with the United Nations may have resulted in the surprise move, widely interpreted by Iraq's critics as a new challenge to the United Nations Security Council sanctions imposed two years ago on Baghdad.

### APOLOGIES: Virgin's Victory

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the libel action is small when measured in pounds, but incalculable in terms of reputation. In stating that BA and Lord King accepted all that Virgin's law-

yers said in their statement, Mr. Clark said a good deal. BA has now admitted to several accusations by Virgin, including that of a "dirty tricks" campaign against Virgin that extends back to 1990. That campaign included everything from hostile stories planted in the press, to poaching Virgin passengers, to obtaining access to confidential data stored on Virgin's

On Monday, Mr. Branson went further. He urged BA directors to

2 Die in Philippine Gunfight

MANILA — A policeman and a Communist rebel were killed in a gunfight io a village close to Manila on Monday, the police said. Four other rebels were captured during

make a full disclosure of "Operation Covent Garden," an investiga-tion that he said was carried out by private investigators hired by British Airways who rummaged through garbage bins in search of information about Virgin. Also yet to be resolved is the case

of a former BA public-relations consultant, Brian Basham, who has been accused of helping to orches-trate the "dirty tricks" campaign. In court on Monday, his lawyer said only that Mr. Basham "does not accept that the references to him are accurate."

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Robert Merloz: "I like poetic, fragile women, who don't push themselves forward." At right, his yellow suit with fitted cutaway jacket and gathered above-the-knee skirt.



### A Romantic Look on the Left Bank

International Herald Tribune ARIS --- With Claude Mootana opposite and Inès de la Fressange around the corner, Robert Merloz opens his airy new Left Bank boutique next week. His arrival oo Rue de Grenelle is part of the bounce-back of an area that was the height of fashion in 1968 — the year of student turbu-

Merloz, 27, was a child in that angry era. But the light, whimsical clothes in his first collection and the boutique with its artistically crumbliog cornices, its dance-studio feeling and day-light flooding in from five windows, are

"I like poetic, fragile women, who don't push themselves forward, and the concept of the boutique is the same," he says. "I wanted to create a feeling of a forgotten house that has been there for 200 years that you suddenly stumble across.

Merioz was plucked from Yves Saint Lau-Merioz was plucked from Yves Saint Lair-rent's studio and backed by Pierre Bergé after formal training at the high fishion school of the Chambre Syndicale and sciven years at YSL, most recently designing filts. He says that fash-ion may now see furs as pointically incorrect, but for him it was "a big chance, an opportunity to express myself in a free way." Fur, he says, the ecological arguments nowithstanding is "something extravagant, beautiful and sensual."

clothes that go on sale in his new shop and at Barneys in New York. The silhouette is what the French call "jeune fille": petite, high-waist-ed, with a focus on the rounded bosom and the pirlish dress, or with brief jackets and skirts breaking into an A-line shape below.

Merloz - who looks like a romantic poet with tumbling curls, a plaid tie, checked shirt, black jacket and red velvet pants — picks out from the collection dresses falling in a waterfall

of crepe or a soft all-in-one pajama suit.

Prices at retail are at the lower end of the designer scale: a suit well under \$1,000 and dresses around \$400. Although the first show was presented six months ago during the July collections, which was surely a mistake, the new autumn-winter line will be shown at the big commercial exhibition at Porte de Versailles in the Atmosphère section, and at the St. James & Albany Hotel during the French ready-to-wear season in March.

Merlez will not be drawn on plans, grandiose or small-scale for the future, saying that Bergé, who was behind the success of Yves Saint Laurent, is a director of the Robert Merloz company, but that "we are not grandchildren who have to go to grandpapa to ask for things." He is inevitably sensitive about linking his name to that of Yves Saint Laurent.

"I saw Monsieur Saint Laurent at fittings,

There is oothing have or glossy about the and that is where I hope I have learned," he says. "It interested me very much to participate in the cut of a garment. In the studio I was an assistant, but with the fur, I was in front of the model with the toile corps d corps - body to body. That was fascinating."

> N spite of this background, the first Merioz collection is not based on cut, but rather on youthful clothes that in their pert, short-skirted way look like a typical French junior line. The more sophisticated

styles are simple coats in the signature midnight blue that covers the boutique's frontage, and an asymmetric pixie-tunic worn with soft pants.

"I changed all the proportions, not cutting anything in at the waist, which I left free," says Merioz. "The belt is an accessory I just don't think about And that left of inches blueses." think about. And that look of jacket, blouse, belt and narrow skirt is just not my woman."

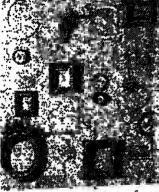
The love of Merloz's life is revealed in the big

boutique, with its bleached wood floor and feeling of a Degas rehearsal room. "I am pas-sionate about dance," he says, citing diverse recent productions from Peter Brook through Robert Wilson and Roland Petit. "The fragility dancers and their way of moving is something that touches me."

Suzy Menkes

### For Hearth and Home, Far-Flung Fabrics

ARIS - Fashionable Paris spent its weekend at bome - oot cocooned from the blustery winter weather, but visiting fairs devoted to furniture, antiques and fabrics. An Aladdin's cave of opulent fabrics in piquant room sets at the Grand Palais drew both pros and public to the Biennale des Editeurs de la Décoration 1993. The fine line between fashionable fabrics and



Trompe l'oeil fabric from Deschemaker.

fashion fabrics was shown by the number of stands, from Souleiado through Etro, offering clothes and home accessories.

"Fabrics were used interchangeably for furnishings and fashion in the 18th century, and it is time to think that way again," said Patrick Frey, who used antique vests, embroidered in sweet colors, on the stand to show the inspiration of one of his several lines.

Frey will stage an exhibition of Braquenie textiles used by leading French couturiers at the Bagatelle in the Bois de Bonlogne at the end

The theme of the Biennale was

the seasons. The upscale fabric dompanies interpreted that to mean anything from a cozy château (toiles de Jouy being all the rage) to the heavy velvets and refectory tables of a gothic pile (another hot trend). For those chatelaines planning on play-ing Marie Antoinette, the checked tablecloths of a French farmhouse

kitchen were reinterpreted in feath-er-light wool (at Designers Guild) or That silk (from Jun Thompson). The standout prints in the show were the medallions — a framed effect updated from the neoclassical and Directoire; the fairy-tale patterns à la toile de Jouy, and trompe l'oeil. The pictorial wallpaper reaches its zenith in Zuber's scenic panels, which it has used to inspire a new range of woodblock-printed fabrics introduced this season.

When does a vivid picture print become trompe l'oeil? The most striking example was Desche-maker's "Château de Famille" print - a trompe l'ocil of portraits, medals, swords and stag antiers on a background of red plush stripes. On the stand, antiers and gilded picture

frames added to the zany effect. The same spirit, in a more classical style, lay behind the many ceramic-inspired prints: Chinese ginger jars from Manuel Canovas; chinoiserie from Nina Campbell; Wedgwood cups and plates from Colerax & Fowler. Bine and white, along with sunshine yellow, came though as strong colors in this area.

There was a richer, darker splendor to Zumsteg's swags of marbled cotton and printed taffeta with Proustian names like Charlus and Guermantes. Passementerie Nouvelle - for all its room sets of monk's cloisters (complete with episcopal robe and stuffed mouse) showed the ritziest of trimmings.

Yet there is a wind of change blowing in from Africa, to corre-

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"Maison française" — the French spond to the growing feel for ecolo-house according to the rhythm of gy and the ethnic.

part of the new feeling for natural materials," said Tricia Guild of De-"It's 20 percent African but

there are influences from all over the place — that is the strength of the Mediterranean region," said Jean-Pierre Demery, whose Sonleiado stand had stalls of stylized horses from the Camargue, bull heads from the world of tauromachie and wood sculptures from North Africa - corresponding to different styles of prints. The most striking of the new Provençal looks were a black naif leaf print traced on an earthy ground and mud-baked beige and white patterns in-

spired by the Camargue "Keeping the seeds in the cloth is

signers Guild, showing a range of woven fabrics in ocutral colors alongside plaids that would have been much too jazzy for Queen Victoria's Balmoral

Etamine had plunged deep into the forest, for leafy prints on a beige or brown ground that once again expressed an ecological and African feeling. For all the tradidonal richness of many of the Biennale fabrics, the swing seems to be away from opulent interiors and back to nature in far-flung places.

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### Milan Menswear: Price Is Right



Drawing by Anthony Tarassi for a cardigan in a mixture of jersey and wool stripes.

By Suzy Menkes

ILAN — The menswear shows have opened with two words on everyone's lips: kmits and prices. A combination of a strong dollar and an exceptionally good holiday season in the United States has cheered store buyers, most of whom have come from the Florence weekend shows, enthusing over a capsule collection

from Paul Smith of Britain and a circus presentation by Romeo Gigli. The most significant thing about the new autumn and winter lines is that they are in touch — with ecology, nature and the feel-good fabrics that are luxurious but not flashy. And knits are expected to stage a major comeback — both in the easy layers of sweaters and cardigans for weekend wear, and in woven materials that give texture and surface

The mod on Milan's opening day was summed up by Anthony Tarassi, whose quiet grays, absorbed from the city's drizzling skies and stolid stone buildings, made a fine collection.

"I do things you have to look at closely and feel — not like designers."

"I do things you have to look at closely and teet — not like designers whose clothes you can see coming down the street," said Tarassi of his cloud-gray alpaca jacket sashed like a bathrobe and subtle mixes of fabric: a cardigan striped in knit and jersey or a shirt in patchwork squares of cotton and wool. Everything was soft to handle, from brushed-cotton T-shirts in make-believe cashmere to deep-pile teddy-bear wool boucle. Tarassi's way of making jackets like shirts and polo sweaters in jersey looks

modern, and his kinits included sophisticated tank tops to be worn outside as a body-warming layer and ethnic sweaters in maried wool.

The shows really get going Tuesday, with Versace, Ferré and Armani in the latter half of the week. But there is a oew kid on the block: Sergio Girombelli, the founding father of Byblos, who was ousted from the family business and has oow set up on his own.

"It's a very exciting moment — it's doing what I did before, expressing what is inside me, but with a much smaller company so the operation is more flexible and I can be closer to the customer," said Girombelli, who has meetings this week with representatives of stores from Barneys and Bergdorf's to Charivari and Neiman-Marcus.

Wearing a sunflower vest (from Paul Smith), Girombelli's son Alfredo - a fashion student in London - showed off the new line, which has a hint of the 1960s in its short coats and elongated jackets, and a focus on natural colors or, by contrast, black and red. Textural effects include a soft woven jacket with the tweedy look of Donegal knit and sweaters that are the real needles-and-yarn thing.

Another family upset has given Reporter a new management and a sharper cutting edge of fashion under its British designer of eight years. Greg Lesson. He focused oo knits for a polar-inspired theme in glacial colors, using he said, "an old type of machine to give a boucle effect."

Other texture stories included hairy tweed caps and flecked herringbone tweeds in the ploughed-earth country colors, and corduroy.

The big oews in recession-ridden Milan is that the devaluation of the lira last fall may have the desired effect of pushing export sales.

"The Italian business is very important to us and prices are going to be at least 20 percent down," said Larry Schechterman, divisional merchandise manager at Bloomingdale's. He praised Canali, who showed Monday, as "real fashion, not fleeting fashion."

Canali transformed the suit by using gradations of color and texture to form easy pieces — say a stone cashmere jacket and matching cords, with a beige moleskin vest. The color tones were from earth, air and water, using mud beige, earth browns and soft blues.

Bill Clinton is rumored to have bought a Canali suit for the inaugura-tion. Canali's ocw-deal suits were sharpish, double-breasted and single, always with cuffed pants — and a long way in cut and style from George Bush's signature sack suit.

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### Get Ukraine On Board

The just-completed treaty pledging dra-matic reductions in nuclear arms could dispel fears of a devastating first strike forever. That pus America and Russia "at the threshold of a new world of hope," in Presi-dent George Bush's words. Whether they cross that threshold, however, depends on Ukraine and other former republics that claimed title to nuclear weapons on their soil after the breakup of the Soviet Union.

Russia is not obliged to begin dismantling its arms until Ukraine ratifies the 1991 START-1 treaty. And Moscow says it will not disarm until Ukraine also confirms its intention to become nuclear-free by signing the 1970 Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty. Washington has offered Ukraine ample

inducements to take those steps. But Ukraine keeps asking for more. Now the Bush administration is right to say enough is enough. President-elect Bill Clinton will also need to tell Ukraine that it risks becoming a pariah if it delays carrying out its international obligations. That will send the right signal to India, Pakistan and other

countries on the precipice of proliferation. Kiev now says it will not ratify START until next month at the earliest. Two weeks ago, President Leonid Kravchuk reaffirmed Ukraine's intention to get rid of all-176 missiles and 30 bombers - or 1,656 nuclear warheads — based on its territory "within the minimum time." But inaction speaks louder than words.

The United States has offered an initial \$175 million in reimburse Kiev for its share of the cost of transporting, storing and dismantling its arms. But Ukraine now

wants \$1.5 billion, an outlandish sum. Kiev is also seeking a U.S. security guar-antee against Russia. But Washington would be foolish to offer one. That would needlessly affront Russian nationalists, already smoldering about Moscow's diminished stature. Offending them could jeopardize the nuclear arms cuts and make the United States and Ukraine less secure.

Proud people in a new state will inevitably engage in some chest-pounding. But Ukraine's ultranationalists also argue that nuclear arms are essential to national security. That is a self-defeating argument: A nuclear-armed Ukraine would alarm not just Russia but such neighbors as Poland

and Germany, feeding regional insecurities. One solution is eventually to develop a new regional arrangement, a collective security pact that involves Europe as well as Russia and the United States. But that will not work without infusions of aid and investment to Ukraine and others in the region to

help foster democracy and prosperity.

The promises of aid now need to be accompanied by a warning: The United States and its allies are prepared to isolate Ukraine and deny it economic help. To deliver that message Mr. Clinton needs an ambassador in Kiev less sympathetic to Ukraine than the incumbent, Roman Popadiuk,

America and Russia have found a way to ease their nuclear insecurity. Yet without the cooperation of the world's third-largest nuclear power, Ukraine, the most important treaty in modern arms control history remains little more than a promise of nuclear peace.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### **Banning Chemical Arms**

Poison gas is one of the ugliest and most indiscriminate weapons in the modern armory. In Paris, some 130 governments are to sign an agreement Wednesday to ban it worldwide. The Chemical Weapons Convention is a remarkable achievement, particularly in its drastic provisions for verification and inspection — precedents for other kinds of arms control treaties in the future. President George Bush is owed much credit for it. To see how it would work, take the current quarrel over technology exports in Iran and whether a U.S. company should help it manufacture synthetic fiber.

The company, BP Chemical, has a process that it is ready to license to the Iranians, who say that they want it to produce acrylics. But the plant would also produce hydrogen cyanide as a by-product, and that is a poison gas. The White House has stopped the deal.

BP Chemical says, with exasperation, that hydrogen cyanide is one of the least effective gas weapons — among other things, it is lighter than air — and in any case there are much cheaper ways to make it. As for the plant that BP Chemical would license and design, it would be built to capture the gas internally and turn it into a useful plastic. That is all true. But it is also true that the gas is dangerous, and the CIA thinks Iran is working on chemical weapons. It is important to be plenty careful about Iran in any arms control arrangement. If Iran signs the Chemical Weapons Con-vention, as it says it will, it will commit itself not to produce or stock the weapons. How

would you know what Iran was doing with the hydrogen cyanide? By going and looking. That is the radical new factor in this agreement. A government that suspects another of making gas weapons can demand an international inspection anywhere on 24 hours' notice. No other arms control agreement has inspection provisions approaching this one. The treaty in prevent the spread of nuclear weapons requires each participating country to declare the sites where it has civilian nuclear facilities and open them to inspection to guarantee that none of the material is being diverted to illicit purposes. But what if a country has secret and undeclared sites, as Iraq had? The diplomats who wrote the chemical treaty had the Iraq experience very much in mind.

The Arab nations are the only significant bloc of countries refusing in support the agreement. They say they will not sign as long as Israel has nuclear weapons. But those countries that do not sign will find themselves cut off from a wide range of chemicals and chemical technologies. Those that sign can expect the benefit of the doubt in buying technologies with dual uses, because the doubters can always come and see how the plants are actually being used.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

### Time Is on Egypt's Side

Giza near Cairo, home of the Pyramids and the Sphinx, where a team of archaeologists cleaning the ancient wonders has racked up a string of spectacular discoveries about their hitherto mysterious birth. The excavators have found, among other things, the village where the pyramid-building workers were boused, the records of what they were paid and materials that lead to a reasonable hypothesis to solve the long-lasting conundrum of bow the giant slabs were lifted into place.

Those finds are capped, though, by the recent announcement that the team bas found the ruins of a fourth pyramid, a little one, near the foundations of the Great Pyramid of Cheops. The Giza director, Zahi Hawass, speculates that the baby pyramid may bave been used to opening ceremonies to mark the big one's completion.

Such discoveries normally would make this the best of times for pyramid fans, and by extension for an Egyptian economy that relies more beavily on tourism than on any other industry. Instead, it has been one of the worst winters in memory for tourism in

Egypt. The reason is a rash of attacks on tourists and tour buses by fundamentalist groups. The deaths of several European tourists and fear that the efforts will intensify has cut tourism revenues by more than half, with serious ripple effects in the economy.

Those who claim to speak for the fundamentalist forces behind this effort initially suggested that the targeting of tourists was purely economic; others have advanced the argument that the predominantly Western tourist hordes in Egypt are "unclean." But if one thing is certain, it is that nobody is likely to succeed for long in stemming the flow of foreigners to gape at the plateau of Giza, which has been host in the longest unbroken parade of tourists that historical memory can compass. The list runs back to Herodotus and to Antipater, the ancient traveler who first drew up a bst of seven wonders.

On economic and political grounds, the threat of unease in Egypt is a matter for geopolitical concern. But as for halting tourism enduringly, the destabilizers could hardly have picked a task less likely in succeed. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

### There Goes the Prom

the free world bas reunited Fleetwood Mac to play at his inauguration. There are many things, including some countries, that have split up and need to be put back together. But the band — Mick Fleetwood, John MeVie, Christine McVie, Lindsey Buckingham and Stevie Nicks - isn't one of them. They were the perpetrators of "Don't Stop (Thinking About Tomorrow)." the 1977 hit that President-elect Bill Clinton adopted as his campaign theme. Hearing it played endlessly at the 1992 Democratic convention was a good reminder that Fleetwood Mac epinmized the least vibrant pe-

What we bave bere may be confirmation of our deepest fears. The ball monitors have taken over and, in this case, been put in charge of music for the senior prom. Isn't there someone at the Inaugural Committee who could provide us guidance? If the Clintons want geriatric rockers, they should call in John Fogerty or Neil Young. If getting votes from their genera-tional peers is the Clinnas' aim, they could book Mojo Nixon. His tribute to childrearing, "I'm Living With a Three-Foot Antichrist," will win over any harried thir-

ty- or forty-something parent.
Or Mr. Clinton himself could sing. His 'Heartbreak Hotel" was a show stopper on the press bus and would surely endear him to the Elvis-Ain't-Dead caucus. Instead, we're going to get Stevie's thready exhortation not to stop thinking about immorrow. Who could, knowing that Fleetwood Mac is

loose in the land? At least Mr. Clinian has not reunited the Eagles. An otherwise tolerant nation draws the line at "Hotel California."

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## A Cambodia Failure Would Hurt the UN Everywhere

LONDON — The fate of United Nations peacekeeping has reached a defining moment. As evidence mounts that the largest and most comprehensive UN operation, the UN Transitional Authority in Cambodia, or UNITAC man be sent the warme of failure it. UNTAC, may be on the verge of failure, it becomes increasingly clear that serious damage will be done not only to the people of Cambodia but to the UN as a whole. Why is the UN effort in Cambodia failing, and what can be done to salvage the situation?

The first problem is whether and bow to get tough with the Khmer Rouge. Its Communist rebels have refused to submit to demobilization by the UN force and have denied its observers entry into areas they control. The scale of Khmer Rouge attacks on UN officials has increased sharply. Is this the time to call the Khmer Rouge bluff?

Assuming that the rebels are not nearly as numerous or motivated as they once were, it is argued that the UN authority's mandate needs to be changed to allow it to take on the Khmer Rouge in a significant counternsurgency campaign. But Japan, which would be embarrassed by having to withdraw its noncombat contin-gent from the UN peacekeeping force if major fighting broke out in Cambodia, opposes any change in the mandate. Permanent members of the UN Security Council are also reluctant to support an even larger and more costly ven-nure, which few Asia-Pacific countries seek. Taking on the Khmer Rouge depends on a

By Gerald Segal and Mats Berdal

second problem: how to effectively carry out an agreed-on plan to close the Thai-Cambodian frontier, thus denying the Khmer Rouge supplies and profits from gem and timber trading. China has been surprisingly supportive of this embargo, but Thailand refuses to allow UN monitors near the frontier area. The Thai military is making too much money from deals in the border area to allow serious application of the embargo. Only pressure on Bang-kok from the West and other nations of East Asia could change this.

A third problem - the corruption and inefficiency of the Phnom Penh government results in part from the presence of the UN authority. This allows the ultranationalist Khmer Rouge to assert that UNTAC has effectively become the enemy, because it props up a corrupt, pro-Vietnamese government.

Graft has indeed grown as the UN authority has injected millions of dollars into one of the world's poorest countries. (There are legitimate grounds for criticizing Yasushi Akashi, the Japanese diplomat who heads the UN authorraft.) If UNTAC presides over elections scheduled for April or May that merely produce another corrupt and inefficient govern-

ment, the Khmer Rouge will be more likely to win an ensuing struggle for power.

The task of saving UNTAC is daunting. It has been useful, to be sure, in repatriating roughly half the 370,000 Cambodian refugees in Thailand. But having done so, the Thai incentive to cooperate with the UN authority is much reduced. UNTAC has been unable to is much reduced. UNTAC has been unable to demobilize much more than 10 percent of the troops in the country. The original objective

of 70 percent has effectively been abandoned. There is no serious pressure from the Association of South East Asian Nations, let alone other Asian countries, for getting tough with the Khmer Rouge, the Phnom Penh govern-ment, other Cambodian factions or Thailand. In short, there is bttle political will to force

the Cambodians to make real peace.

The future is bleak. The UN mandate might be extended beyond July, though with an evident failure to bring peace to Cambodia, it probably will be abandoned later in the year. With rampant corruption and inflation, no amount of foreign economic aid will save Cambodia from the Cambodians. Civil war

and a Khmer Rouge government are far from unlikely outcomes. And the consequences would spread beyond Cambodia. A failure there would hurt the cause of those who favor a multilateral approach to building security and resolving post-Cold War conflicts in East Asia.

ASEAN would find itself again facing the

risks of a wider war in Indochina. Damage would also be done to the prestige of Japan,

and to any hope of Tokyo becoming a penna-nent member of the UN Security Council.

Unless the major powers act quickly to show up the UN authority in Cambodia, severe damage would be done to the notion that the UN can be an effective instrument for ensuing stability and security in today's world. A failure in Cambodia would be seen to show that in complex and intense civil wars, even enormous UN operations cannot rebuild countries. This might reflect on how UN operations in Bosnia and Somalia are viewed and might undermine the opportunities for future operations and even existing forces, such as the UN peace force in Croatia, that are up for renewal.

The result would be a more anarchic world with few tools for managing international conflict. Even worse, the dashing of post-Cold War hopes would encourage greater insularity among rich nations and a more educations spirit encourage disease and a more educations and a more educations. adventurous spirit among dissatisfied powers.

There is clearly a need to lower expectations and to objectively reassess precisely what kind of role the UN can have when the real problem is one of nation-building.

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### Clinton Should Go Beyond This Post-Everything Era

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

ident-elect Bill Clinton is that be is taking power at a time when what we think of as "the West" is haunted by the specter of an intellectual vacuum. No. there is no shortage of smart folks thinking smart things. What is

lacking are unifying ideas. In foreign policy, even the best thinkers are skeptical of any "grand strategy" for the United States after the Cold War, In thinking about do-

mestic policy, "isms" are out. The surest sign of this confusion is the omnipresence of the word "post." We refer to postmodernism, the post-Cold War world, post-Reaganism, poststructuralism, postliberalism; we live in a post-Communist, post-baby boom, postrevisionist world — some say our posthistory has already begun. We don't know what we are. We only know what we are "post."

Through most of history, the world has been too complicated for grand strategies to be very useful. We are at such a juncture again, and we should be glad for it. If the price of clear foreign policy thinking is having to face Nazis and Stalinists with a lot of weapons, f will take muddle.

As for the less threatening "isms," we are also more skeptical, and that is good too. The collapse of self-de-scribed socialist regimes to the East has been accompanied by new challenges to pure capitalism in the West. Just about everybody is for the efficiencies of market economies, but the end of the Thatcher-Reagan era sighals that we do not pretend anymore that markets are enough.

We are increasingly preoccupied with matters markets do not resolve: How do we create something called "community"? How can society and government promote both personal and social responsibility? What are the links between the values a society promotes and its success in the world marketplace? How can we build cooperation into a fundamentally compentive society?

These are the sorts of questions Mr. Clinton liked to talk about during his campaign. He has made it clear that be is post-everything peo-ple-are-tired-of. He was against "trickle-down economics," but be was against "tax-and-spend liberalism" as well.

But if Mr. Clinton bas benefited from post-ism, he could also suffer from its weaknesses. It is easier to ask questions that the reigning ideas do

WASHINGTON — The fear that the United States will be over-

run by Haitian refugees should not

blind Americans to the continuing bu-

man-rights abuses in my country and

in the necessity of restoring democra-cy. Constitutional government re-

mains the only solution to Haiti's cri-

sis and the only way to keep waves of refugees from heading for America. I feel sad when I see pictures of my

countrymen building boats in prepa-

United States. After I was elected

president of Haiti in December 1990, Haitian emigration not only slowed

to a trickle, but many Haitians re-

turned bome from around the world

committed to building democracy with skills that had been driven out of

the country by the brutality and cor-

1991 that forced me out of the coun-

try. Since then it has not been only

the poor who desire to leave, but

many of the best minds and most

Bill Clinton understands the need to

stand strong in Haiti. He has stressed that the United States should "use its

unique position to support freedom,

It is not surprising that Haitian people would do anything to flee the country now. The nightmares that

most Haitians believed were gone

In the 15 months since then, more

than 3,000 have been killed. Priests

and nuns have been besten and jailed.

Amnesty International, America's

Watch, the Lawyers Committee for

Human Rights and the Haiti Commis-

sion for Inquiry into the coup of Sept. 30, 1991, all blame the government for

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I am confident that President-elect

Then came the coup of September

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WASHINGTON — The good not answer than to answer them news and the bad news for Pres- yourself. It is easier for Bill Clinton not to be George Bush or Ronald Reagan or Jimmy Carter than it is for him in define what Bill Clinton is.

In another time, Mr. Clinton might adopt pure pragmatism and make it up as he went along. But that will not work now. Sure, the economy mat-tered more than anything else in 1992. But part of the longing expressed by those who voted for Mr. Clinton — or for Ross Perot — was for things not easily defined by GNP statistics or inflation figures.

These included all of Mr. Clinton's big questions about community and responsibility; there was a desire for political participation to mean something, and a bope that a diverse society might rediscover a limited but clear set of rules and goals that could bring people together across lines of race, class and gender,

In other words. Americans want a sense of national morale that comes only from the conviction that the country's leaders are operating on the basis of compelling principles and ideas. Mr. Clinton, who loves to talk. may be pleased to know that what he says might thus prove almost as im-portant as what he does. You cannot run a classified adver-

tisement for a vision, but you can decide where you will start rummaging around to find one.

All those communitarian questions Mr. Clinton likes so much offer a they are que socialism answered badly and that Reagan-Thatcherism hardly asked at all. They suggest that we Americans are unhappy about the balances we bave struck between individualism and obligation, between independence and loyalty, between the satisfactions we seek in our private lives and those we would like to feel in the public realm as citizens. All point to a reengagement with ideas variously classified as communitarian, social democratic and small-r republican.

Mr. Clinton is a politician, not a philosopher - and as a general rule, it makes sense to be wary of those who would pretend to be philosopher-kings or philosopher-presidents. But more than Bill Clinton may realize, all of his talk about moving "beyond liberal-ism" and "beyond conservatism" amounts to an implicit campaign For Mr. Clinton, it is time for postbeyondism. For the rest of us too.

The Washington Post.

The rate of increase in burnan-rights

violations is matched only by the rapid

growth of Haid's drug trade. Drug trafficking has increased significantly

since the coup, according to the U.S.

Drug Enforcement Agency. It is no coincidence that many of the officers

suspected to be involved in drug traf-ficking were also a part of the coup. My government had signed a letter of agreement with the United States in

August 1991 in work jointly to end drug trafficking through Hait and was

making excellent progress toward the goal. This agreement has never been

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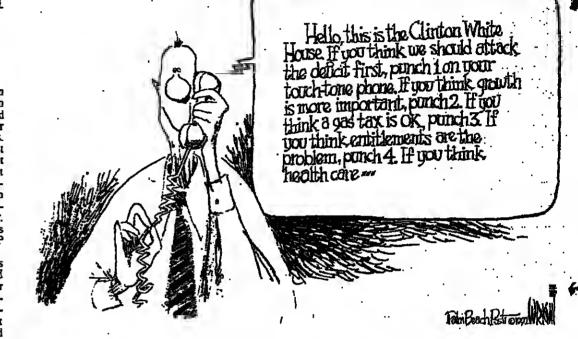
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To Refloat Haiti, Push the Coup Regime Overboard

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The writer is the exiled president of Haiti.



### A Muffled Battle Cry in a Worthy War

W. ASHINGTON — During last year's campaign, it became known as The Speech He Never Gave, it was a speech on "entrepre-neurial government," a new way of organizing the bureaucracy to cut down on wasteful spending and excessive staffing — and improve the delivery of services.

It was always just over the horizon in Bill Clinton's campaign — a sub-ject of bumor to some insiders and of regret to others. Some said it died because of the influence of public employee unions, which endorsed him early in the game. Others said that talk of big reorganization plans smacked of Jimmy Carter and would diven voters from the desired focus

on economic issues. Whatever the case, the speech was never given, and the theme seems to have disappeared from public discussion of the plans of the new administration. That is a real loss.

The inertial forces in government are enormously powerful. Programs. once launched, tend to go on forever. Agencies are immortal. Unless a president comes in lown determined in shake up the system, he will usually find that the only way to energize it is to add new layers on top of the old.

Bill Clinum has done that already. Despite his promise in streamline the White House stall, he has added a new National Economic Council, of

minister and to run the government.

The small group of coup leaders have to be removed. I have received

letters from many rank-and-file

members of the military and am con-

vinced that a majority of them are also victims of the coup. We are ready

to grant general amnesty to the army. Throughout this tragedy, I have

offered compromises in order to re-

store the democracy our people voted

When the political opposition agreed to my return in Haiti in ex-

change for accepting one of its mem-

bers as prime minister, the military

regime withdrew its support. Several of those involved in the talks were then

shot at. The agreement was scuttled.

Our government proposed the sta-tioning of an OAS civilian mission as

a prelude to establishing conditions

for my return. The mission was to

assure that burnan and civil rights

were respected by all parties and to

belp quell fears, bowever irrational,

in the military. The military initially refused and then delayed any OAS

Today, there is a team of only 16

members in Port-au-Prince. Their

ability to conduct their mission has

been largely blocked by the military.

time to look to the future and heal

wounds from the past. We cannot,

however, sacrifice the democracy we

were sworn in uphold.

The way for the international com-

munity to force the coup regime to

enter into productive negotiations to-

ward restoring democracy is not ob-scure. The trade embargo must be

strengthened. It will not achieve its

goal without stronger measures.

I remain flexible, convinced it is

civilian mission.

for in December 1990.

By David S. Broder

Treasury, the Office of Management and Budget and all the other bureau-cracies that have an oar in economic policy-making.
That same thing is likely to happen in government programs, from health care to high-tech development, unless

Mr. Clinton deliberately searches out places to slim down and redesign the federal Goliath. A good place for him to start might be the chapter on the "new federal compact" in "Mandate for Change,"

Bill Clinton must search out places to redesign the federal Goliath.

the volume of proposals issued last month by the Progressive Policy Institute, Mr. Clinton's favorite think tank. The chapter was written by David Osborne, whose books on state and local experiments in "reinventing government' have influenced Mr. Clinton's thinking.

Mr. Osborne argues, with great ve-hemence, that Mr. Clinton should launch a serious effort to sort out and rationalize the responsibilities of the three levels of government - nationunknown dimerisions, to the existing al, state and local — with a view to Council of Economic Advisers, the saving money, slashing layers of bual. state and local — with a view to

> The weakness of the embargo is a function of political will and not

> physical ability. If ships can be

launched to stop the boat people, then the tankers of oil and goods that

fuel the coup regime can be interdicted. When the coup regime realizes that the United States and the inter-

national community is willing in use

its formidable powers in assist in the restoration of democracy, it will be

forced to step aside. Then the Haitian

people will be able to live in a free

and democratic country - without

reaucracy and, most important, getting the citizens better results.

That sounds like Republican talk; in fact, both Richard Nixon and Ron-

ald Reagan started such efforts. But they stalled far short of success, stymied by the suspicion in Congress, state legislatures and city halls that these conservatives were just seeking to sabotage vital social services. Presumably, Mr. Clinton's creden-

tials with the governors and mayors are good enough to spare him from that cynical suggestion. The starting point, Mr. Osborne rightly suggests, has to be an examination of the 557 separate grant programs that funnel almost \$160 billion a year into states and local communities,

Although most of the services are rendered locally, people on the receiv-ing end must satisfy the eligibility standards and detailed regulations that Congress and the bureaucracy attach to the money. That means thou-sands of federal and state bureaucrats are kept busy writing regulations and socing they are complied with

Mr. Osborne suggests that 100 of the grant-in-aid programs could easily be eliminated and an additional 400 consolidated into what he calls "challenge grants" — block grants with built-in rewards for those who show results. He also suggests more flexibility in the use of these funds.

That sounds so sensible you would think it would be easy. But it is not Each of those programs has a history that began with an organized constituency group and some senator or representative colluding to create a grant that will serve a particular need they regard as compelling. It is not easy in strip them of their playthings.

The only way that gets done is if a president is willing to use some of his relition.

political capital to do it. Plenty of people can draw him the map of what needs to be done; Alice Rivlin, Mr. Clinton's choice for deputy director of the Office of Management and Budget, has written a book that spells out many of the same restructuring ideas Mr. Osborne suggests. But only the president has the muscle it will take to overcome congressional, bureaucratic and interest-group opposition.
We do not know if Mr. Clinton has

his heart in that battle.

#### ever getting on a boat. The Washington Post. The Washington Post.

#### 1893: Royal Nuptials PARIS -Good wishes will accompa-

ny Prince Ferdinand of Hobenzollern and Princes Marie of Edinburgh over the threshold of their married life. More interest than is usually taken by the public in Royal weddings has been felt in this union of two young people who are allied to two of the most powerful of the reigning houses of Europe, but who are likewise understood to entertain, one for the other, feelings of the tenderest complexion.

### 1918: A 'Happy Peace'

AMSTERDAM — The Committee for a German Laborers' Peace has sent telegrams to the German Emper-or, the Crown Prince and Hindenburg, requesting them to secure the future of German laborers by a "peace of victory." The Crown Prince to reply said: "There is no reason for the uncasiness expressed in your tele-gram. I ask you to believe that the leaders of the German Empire will

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO crown the beroic deeds of the army and navy by a good honorable peace, which will obtain and guarantee hap-py conditions of life for German Laborers and the free development of their labors on German soil."

#### 1943: Caucasus Cities Fall MOSCOW - [From our New York

edition: Six Caucasus cities along the road to Rostov, including Georgievsk. Mineralnye Vody and Pyatigorsk, have fallen to the Russians in the biggest bag of their winter offensive, it was announced last night [Jan. [1] in a special communique. The Red Army took these places. which are on or near the Rostov-Baku railway, by swift encircling maneuvers which forced the Germans to retreat hastily to the northwest through Armavir toward Rostov. The North Caucasus offensive is only eighteen days old, but the Russians have advanced 112 miles since they checked the Germans in the suburbs of Ordzhonikidze.

**OPINION** 

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To Pick Up Those Tabs By William Safire BETHESDA, Maryland - A cannot deny the lucrative activity pernicious philosophy of to tribes within its borders. something-for-nothing is sweepstaking the country. Politicians push state-sponsored gambling to bilk the poor while publishers back

Here in the Democratic-dominated state of Maryland. Governor William ("Bei While You Booze") Schaefer has been visiting restaurants with bars to fout his solution to budget-balancing: Keno, a numbers game under state auspices that entices patrons to stare at a television screen above the bar and try their luck.

The governor is putting the pow-er of his office hehind the exploitation of a human weakness. It raises money for worthy purposes, he maintains, firmly placing the ends before the means — and besides. people gamble anyway.

On that theory, why not State of Maryland Official Brothels? People

patronize prostitutes anyway, so why not cut out the middleman and have the state run the enterprise? Libertarians like me believe that gambling should be decriminalized, regulated and taxed - hut certainly not encouraged by public ry policy. We do not want to see our governors out there hustling customers to do what is manifestly

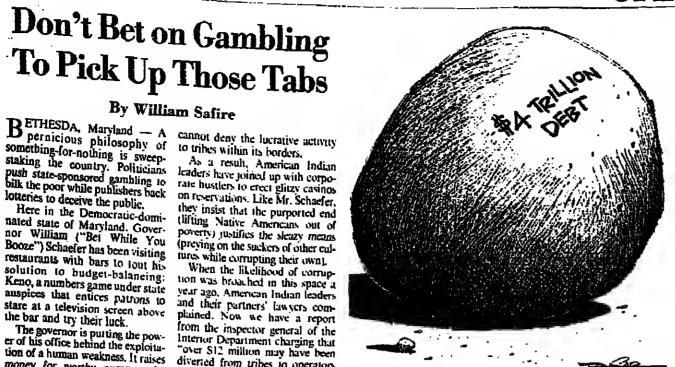
against their economic interests. Gubernatorial shilling is wrong. Fortunately for Marylanders, no Indian reservations are in the state. The Supreme Court has held that when a state sponsors gambling, it

they insist that the purported end (lifting Native Americans out of poverty) justifies the sleazy means (preving on the suckers of other cultures while corrupting their own !

When the likelihood of corruption was broached in this space a year ago. American Indian leaders and their partners' lawyers complained. Now we have a report from the inspector general of the Interior Department charging that "over \$12 million may have been diverted from tribes to operators and suppliers, principally because of theft and mismanagement." interior shyly names no names.

But to get an idea of the profit potential in the industry spawned state-sponsored gambling, flip though the 1992 annual report of Grand Casinos Inc. The promoter, Lyle Berman of Minneapolis. poasts that 2 million visitors have come to the home of the Ojibwe Indians, where 1.400 video slot machines now grace Minnesota's premium fishing lake.

Why are the holy Savonarolas not up in arms against the enshrinement of something-for-nothing by so many state legislatures? Because many publishers are eager particiconts in the sweepstakes frenzy.



Little Rock vs. Big Rock

"finalist" in the Publishers Clearing House \$10 million sweepstakes, you must be a demographically dead American, Breathless TV spots hype the promotion; local media outlets cover the winners (never the millions

of losers) as news. Although the notice that "no purchase is necessary to enter and win" appears on the back of one of the so-called certificates, that federal requirement is cunningly circumvented by the headline "An Order Gets You Express Entry. The dodge: "If your entry comes in on time with at least one Order If you have not received a bulky. Coupon on it, we'll automatically envelope announcing that you are a enter you in every contest."

computer, a state-sponsored casi-no in your coat pocket, a slot machine in your children's jeans. The truth is that nothing is for nothing. Hard work, talent, merit will win you something. Reliance on luck, playing the sucker, will

The clear implication: If you buy

a magazine, your contest entry — your impossible dream — gets pref-erential treatment. And if you

don't buy, the promoters warn, you

may not get another lottery entry.

Such august publications as Time. Newsweek, U.S. News, Forbes, Reader's Digest and Golf Digest sell subscriptions this way. No editor

Why? Because too many state

governors and powerful publishers go along. Unless curbed by public revulsion, the insidious

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### Of Becky, a Shack, Southerners and Bill

WASHINGTON — One of my earliest W memories is of following my grandfa-ther in the field as he plowed with his mule. Becky. It was about 1960; I would have been 5 or 6. The crab apple trees were blooming: it was late in the day. My feet can still feel the moist chunks of reddish Georgia clay, the chill that seeped out of the ground as if winter,

were yielding to spring between my toes.

I maintain a collection of such mental artifacts, all defined by temperature, topography, vegetation, a particular slant of light. The weight of the summer air; the hallacinatory. omnipresent clatter of cicadas in July: the heavy, fruity scent of muscadines in October. It's all very beautiful, and yet I am vaguely

ashamed of it. And that, I think, sums up what it means to be a Southerner of the baby boom generation, a group that includes out next president. Why am I ashamed? Because I know that though the image is lovely, there is something in it that is not: the dirty shack in the background, home to a succession of black

tenants who worked for my grandparents.

The region and era I am from produced a generation imprinted by these divided emotions, equal parts shame and sentiment. Old enough to define ourselves by our place of hirth, we are too young to have known the worst of its racist legacy. We are, for the most part, an educated and affluent group. Yei many of us are only one generation removed from people who were poor and uneducated and who knew it, and who masked their

hitterness with regional chauvinism. The Southern Inferiority Complex is enshrined in the national psyche. As recently as 1990 a University of Chicago study revealed that nearly 40 percent of those surveyed said white Southerners were lazier and less intelligent than whites in general. Today, this nagging sense of inferiority remains a basic piece of our psychic baggage. Candidate Clinton said as much when he exhorted his Southern audiences to show the rest of the country that you're smarter than they think you are." No elaboration was required.

If only we could take it for granted that we are smart, or at least no dumber than anybody else. The insidious thing about bias is that after a while you start to believe it. During the campaign, I could hear an unspoken "but" preceding every positive descripBy Tracy Thompson

tion of Bill Clinton. He's from Arkansas, but he was a Rhodes scholar. He comes from a dinky little Southern town and talks with an

accent sometimes but he went to Yale.

Nor am I alone in this. "I have to admit that one of the reasons I voted for Chinton is that he is from the South," said my South Carolina friend. "And the reason I am convinced he will screw up is that he is from the South."

Southerners are provincial, dumb, racist, snake-handling religious zealots - the sterectypes sting so much because they contain a grain of truth. We are all those things. And we are more. We are people who have been given the gift of self-knowledge. White

#### MEANWHILE

Southerners of my generation were asked, early in life, to look into the ugly mirror of

racial intolerance and see themselves. When I was a child, our family dentist in Fairburn, Georgia, had a front door and a back door to his office. On the back door, now bare, there was a faded spot where a sign had evidently been for many years. You could still tell what the sign had said: Colored.

Somewhere, in my child's mind, I filed that observation away for future reference. The issue did not crystallize for me until a moment io 1964 when a bunch of us kids were arguing at the bus stop over who should be president, Barry Goldwater or Lyndon Johnson, and one of us uttered the word "nigger."

I turned and saw behind me Lovett and Roberta Strozier, who lived in my grandparents' shack. I will never forget the carefully blank look on their faces. The person who

had said that word was me.

Money cannot buy that kind of lesson ahout bigotry. And so I am defensive when I encounter people who assume I haven't learned it. Recently, a newspaper column quoted a black woman who had found herself stranded with a desperately ill husband oo arural Georgia road. The locals were very kind, she reported, even though "these were deep-Southern white people, the kind you'd think wouldn't consider helping some black folks." It was news to this lady that not all

white Southerners are racists, but I have more news for her: When it comes to public per-ceptions, she and those white Southerners

are, to some extent, in the same boat. The question boils down to this: Can we carry this regional identity without feeling this vague, pervasive defensiveness - or do

the question is still a moot one. The Southern sense of identity is stubborn and illogical. Two stories sum this up. One has to do with the old Confederate who lived in Atlanta during Reconstruction, who used to taunt the

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Union soldiers on the street. "You may have won the war," he'd say, "but we sure whipped your ass at Chickamauga." The irate soldiers hauled him to their commander, who berated the old man and made him swear out a loyalty oath to the United States of America. The next day, the old man was back on the street. When the Union soldiers walked by, he was ready. "We may have won the war," he yelled, "but the Rebels sure

whipped our ass at Chickamauga!"

Then there is the story the historian Shelby Foote tells about a Confederate soldier taken prisoner during the Civil War. His interroga-tors noted that he was dirt poor and had no vested interest in preserving the Southern slave economy. The Union soldiers were fighting to preserve the Union and abolish slavery, they said: what was he fighting for?
"I'm fighting because you're down here,"

the soldier said.

Ah, well. The land he was fighting on is covered with asphalt and Wal-Marts now. Still, underneath all that asphalt is the land I remember from childhood, and it still matters to me that I come from there.

That's why, oo election night, when Mr Clinton came out on the steps of the statehouse in Little Rock to make his acceptance speech, I found myself thinking about my grandfather and the mule. It seems as if it happened on another planet, in another lifetime. But it's part of who I am. I would be willing to bet there is a mule in the new president's memory, too, or something like it, and something like that dirty old shack in the background.

It is a picture of loveliness and pain. It is illuminating and humbling. And maybe that is a good thing in a new leader.

The Washington Post.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Russia Need Not Fail

The Washington Post editorial "Yes, Keep Helping Russia" (Dec. 29) says that the "West continues to have an invaluable opportunity to exert its influence." We are only worried that this opportunity is being ignored. Throughout Russia, and particularly in St. Petersburg. the present regime, in open contradiction to its international obligations, is still barring hundreds of would-be emigrants from leaving, on absurd allegations of state secrecy.

We agree that the West should help, but we would insist the help be tied to the proviso that agreements already freely entered into must be honored. The United Nations human rights charter must not be violated; freedom of belief, speech and movement must be ensured.

MARGARET RIGAL, Women's Campaign for Soviet Jewry, London

Former President Richard Nixon's apocalyptic view of Russia screams of the paranoia we have come to expect from this old Cold Warrior ("The West Will Pay if Boris Yeltsin Fails," Opinion, Nov. 20). country that cannot feed its people under democracy would re-emerge as a global threat under rejuvenated Soviet totalitarianism. Such doomsday scenarios have served the U.S. military-industrial complex well for nearly half a century; should democracy fail in Russia, I'm sure they

FRED L. WYMORE

**Dealing With China** 

Now that the Bush administration has done its last kowtow in Beijing, it is time to look at what can he expected from Bill Clinton. After a promising start in the campaign, it now seems that he sees China as less deserving of censure. Ohviously China has done something in the last few weeks to indicate that it is a more responsible member of the community of nations! Well, it has not renounced the threat of invasion of Taiwan, it has not given Tibet back to the Dalai Lama and it has not slopped the persecution of Christians in China.

There are, however, some things it has done. It has reiterated the Chinese claim to exclusive sovereignty over the Spratly Islands with the implicit threat of military action to enforce that claim. Prime Minister Li Peng said that the claim would be settled between China and Vietnam and that Beijing would brook no interference by outside parties. This despite the fact that the islands are also claimed by numerous

The hierarchy of the People's Liberation Army has been purged of progressive thinkers who considered that the army should be an army of the state. They have been replaced by more ideologically sound generals who, propagandist editorials proclaim, will ensure that the army is the army of the party.

There is no need to recount the tirade of abuse and outright interference in the internal affairs of Hong Kong by ill-mannered govcrament functionaries in Beijing.

Just as China has dished up more of the same in recent weeks, it looks like the Clinton administration will continue appeasement of Beijing in the people who Sir Percy Craddock said "were thugs, are thugs and always will be thugs."

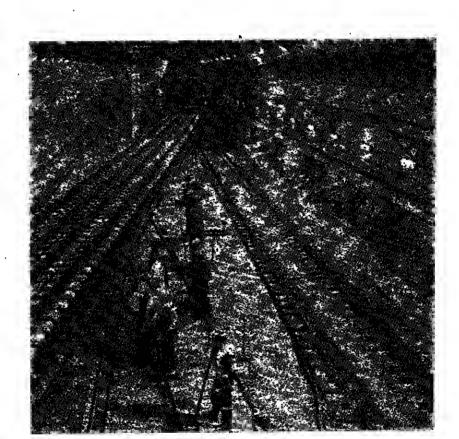
LEIGHTON JOHANNESEN. Hong Kong.

Having been to China on numerous occasions, both on business and pleasure, it is always interesting to read articles about that country by supposedly knowledgeable journalists, A. M. Rosenthal obviously knows China better than I do, especially the "terror, torture and slave labor" he must have witnessed firsthand ("A Cynical Voyage by China's Appeasers, "Opinion, Dec. 19). Mr. Rosenthal does not like China nor its cheap products. and he is entitled to his opinion. But calling the Chinese rulers. "tough old killers" is not going to

improve U.S.-Chinese relations. China is an anthoritarian state trying to bring a certain prosperity to its billion-plus population. Things are far from perfect, but with guidance and cooperation from the West, China will slowly

'democratize" itself. Every country has its problems to solve; each uses the methods open to lt. Unless there is absolute proof of deeds below any form of human decency, then the world would be better off preaching less

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### INTERNATIONAL STOCKS

## Hong Kong Market Seems To Be Taking Heart Again

By Sheryl WuDunn New York Times Service

HE HONG KONG stock market, whose stellar performance was interrupted by a bout of political worries in December, seems to be starting the new year off right.
Hong Kong's economy is expected to remain buoyant as it
prepares to enter the Year of the Rooster, mostly on the coattails of
China's economic boom, and some analysts expect the market to set

Although nearly half the gains scored when the Hang Seng index hit a record in mid-November were erased in December, the index still rose a hefty 28.3 percent for the full year. After a high of 6,570.83, the index stood at 5,512.39 by year's end. And it has already picked up 3 percent -from there this year.

Price/earnings ratios for Some analysts expect Hang Seng index stocks in 1992 the Hang Seng to set were about 11 to 1, and some analysts project that based on new records. prospects for high corporate

prospects for high corporate earnings for this year, that even with higher prices the ratio will drop to 9.

Still, the contretemps over Governor Chris Patten's pro-democracy proposals overshadows the market. China reiterated a few days ago that it would neither accept the proposals nor compromise. Mr. Patten submits his proposals next month to the legislative council, and talks could drag on for weeks or even months.

A recondary concern is Washington. Some fear that President-

A secondary concern is Washington, Some fear that Presidentelect Bill Clinton and the Democrat-controlled Congress will attach conditions to U.S. trade benefits to China. Such worries could damp the usual optimism and flurry of investment that precedes the

Chinese New Year on Jan. 23.

[On Monday, however, Hong Kong stocks rallied on hopes that China was taking a less aggressive stance in its conflict with Britain over political reform in Hong Kong, brokers and fund managers said. The Hang Seng ended the day up 143.54 points, or 2.60 percent, at 5,673.1, Bloomberg Business News reported.

[The advance began last Friday, on news that Prime Minister Li Peng had pledged that Beijing would always respect Sino-British Peng had pledged that Beijing would always respect Sino-British agreements concerning the territory. "Everything was bid up from agreements concerning the territory. "Everything was bid up from that point on, and this is a continuation of that," said David Bulbeck, institutional sales manager at HG Asia.]

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### Tandy Plans A Split Into 2 Firms

Compiled by Our Stulf From Dispatches FORT WORTH, Texas -Tandy Corp., in perhaps its boldest restructuring move since buying the Radio Shack retail chain to 1963, announced plans Monday to split itself into two independent

The largest seller of consumer electronics in the United States also said it planned to close 100 retail outlets.

The split will allow Tandy to focus on retailing, which has re-corded profit declioes for the past three years, while its manufacturing arm moves in other directions. said the chairman and chief executive, John V. Roach.

The separation will free \$1.5 bilfion in sales for the newly created TE Electronics Inc., which will be publicly traded, Mr. Roach said. Tandy will retain about \$3.8 hillion The stores that will be closed will

be among the 413 outlets in Tandy's Name Braod Retail Group. The shake-up is oot expected to affect the 7,000 Radio Shack neighborhood stores. Mr. Roach said shareholders

would probably get less than one share in the new company for each share held in Tandy stock. In Dallas, Texas Instruments

lnc. settled longstanding patent lawsuits Mooday against both Tandy and Zenith Data Systems

(UPI, AP, Reuters, Bloomberg)

By Steven Greenhouse

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — Despite predictions of larger U.S. budget deficits and despite the

recent pickup in economic growth, Presi-dent-elect Bill Clinton's economic team is

still leaning toward a short-term deficit spending plan to create jobs, according to

The advisers said the short-term stimulus

plan was oeeded to ensure that the United

States did not slide back into recession and

would be modest, probably \$20 billion to \$30

billion in increased deficit spending for a

### Italy Tests Its Marketability With Bond

By Brandon Mitchener

foreign borrowing for the first time in two years on Monday in an effort to replenish its reserves and restore investor confidence following its devaluation during last September's currency crisis.

The 4 billion Deutsche mark (\$2.4 billion)

The Eurobond issue marks the first time

markets since February 1991, and the first time it has issued debt denominated in marks, which Mr. Draghi said "has to do with the size and positive development of this market as well as the soundness of the currency." The issue also is a key test of investors' confidence in the pace and scope of Rome's

recent economic reforms, analysts said. "It may well be a general attempt to reassure the markets," said Darren Williams, economist at UBS Phillips & Drew in London, "If you have a large outstanding debt in a foreign currency, you stand to lose a lot of

money if the exchange rate isn't stable." Italy's reputation in international markets has been hurt by a ballooning government deficit, the lira's forced withdrawal from the exchange-rate mechanism and the government's initial decision, fater reversed, not to

repay in full the debts of the failed state holding company EFIM.

Officials at Deutsche Bank AG, which is managing the Eurobond issue, and bond dealers reported good early demand for the Italian issue, although it came at a stiff price.

The bonds were being sold with a suggested coupon of 7.5 percent, pending the setting of definitive terms Tuesday. Market talk was that the bonds would be priced to yield about 0.45 to 0.55 of a percentage point more than the comparable German government bond. That would imply a yield of 7.30 percent to

7.40 percent. lo contrast, Sweden's recent five-year, 8 percent coupon bonds traded at a yield of about 7.20 percent Monday. A 7.5 percent coupon would be "generous

ly priced," reflecting Italy's concern that its

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### **Bundesbank Official Sees Policy Constraints**

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatcher WURZBURG, Germany -The future of the Deutsche mark. and with it the Bundesbank's strict monetary policy, depend on factors outside the central bank's control, Otmar Issing, a director of the central bank, said Monday.

Mr. Issing also said that Germany's reputation as a model for price stability had slipped during the tast few years as it had proved unable to control money supply growth with high interest rates.

But despite acknowledging limits to Bundesbank policy, Mr. Issing did not suggest any loosening of policy via lower interest rates. On the contrary, he said Germany must resist any temptation to accept higher inflation as a

the White House budget director, said that any stimulus package was likely to be closer to \$20 billion than \$60 billion.

Many economists argue that a short-term

deficit plan is unnecessary in light of the

strong economic growth in the third quarter,

but several Clinton aides said that additional

stimulus was needed because job growth remains so anemic. They point to Friday's

Labor Department report showing that the jobless rate remained stuck at 7.3 percent in

December and that job growth was modest.

"It is a 00-job-growth recovery," said one member of Mr. Chinton's economic transi-

tion team. "If you looked at the job growth.

means of lowering the budget defi-cit stemming from reunification. Fiscal policy must use its

own means to solve its problems," said Mr. Issing, the Bundeshank's chief economist. He suggested cuts in spendiog but warned against any increase in taxes, saying that they were

already very high. Cuts in the delicit would im-

Speaking at the local chamber

Leon E. Panetta, who was cominated to be historically unprecedented for there to be so

European monetary union, however, can be achieved only if each country achieves monetary stability, he said. The Bundesbank's stable money policy and its political independence should guide the statutes of a future European central bank, he added.

Mr. Issing predicted that inflation, which was running at 3.7 percent in November in Western Germany, was likely to rise above 4 percent in January because of an increase in value-added tax. The central bank's target is to cut

inflation to 2 percent in 1993. West German unit wage costs rose 9.5 percent in the last two years, he said. This has already boosted inflation, and the nega-

tion's monetary policy for a long time." tive effect on jobs will follow with the usual delay." he said.

Despite the warning on inflation, the average yield on German public-sector bonds fell to 6.96 percent Monday, down from 7.00 percent Friday.

Hopes that the economic

slump will prompt the Bundesbank to cut interest rates have been pushing bond prices up and yields down. The central bank fueled those hopes itself last week with a modest 0.15 point cut in its key money market rate.

The average yield on German public paper has fallen by about a full percentage point since September, when the Bundesbank last lowered its Lombard and discount rates.

(Bloomberg, Reuters, AFP, AFX)

### U.S. Offer On GATT **Industrial Goods**

**EC Snubs** 

Focus of Dispute Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BRUSSELS - A U.S. offer on market access for industrial prod-

ucts under the Uruguay Round of

GATT talks does not go far enough, an EC Commission spokesman said Monday.

The spokesman said the U.S. offer, which had been received during
the weekend, "does not go as far"
as the EC had sought, referring to
the list of tariff cuts proposed by
the commission on behalf of the

Community last month. The Community wanted some

thing substantial on market access as part of a global agreement at the end of more than six years of negotiations under the General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade on liberalizing world trade.

Brussels wants any agreement to cover such sensitive areas as textiles, nonferrous metals, wood and paper and electronics. The spokesman said some dangerously high tariff peaks had to be removed. without specifying io what areas

they applied.
The U.S. offer comes ahead of a meeting of the Uruguay Round's top-level Trade Negotiations Committee on Friday.

Since the holiday break, only low-key exploratory talks on mar-ket access have been held in Geneva and a major breakthrough is not expected this week.

Separately. Sir Brian Corby, deputy head of the employers' group, the Confederation of British Industry, said in London that moves to protect the European single market from overseas competition could spark a major trade wat and intensify recessionary pres-sures worldwide,

In a draft of a speech prepared for a cooference in Londoo on Europe and the Single Market, Mr. Corby said protectionism within Europe to compensate for European industries' "own declining com-petitiveness" would be "totally wrong" and would "store up trouble for the future,"

He criticized both direct barriers to trade and protectionism through state subsidies. (Reuters, AFX)

International Herald Tribune
FRANKFURT — Italy began a major

five-year issue, part of a broad \$10 billion to \$15 billion international horrowing program for 1993, is intended to pave the way for an eventual return of the hira to the European exchange-rate mechanism by replenishing the Bank of traly's reserves, Mario Draghi, director general of the Italian Treasury, said at a news conference here.

Italy has tapped the international capital

prove the conditions for monetary policy, he added.

of commerce in this southern German city, Mr. Issing said. "The future of the mark is certainly not only decided in Frankfurt."

He continued, saying, "The in-ternational and especially the Eu-topean currency framework has been setting limits to each na-

Clinton Aides Still Favor Short-Term Stimulus

little job growth this long into a recovery." Advisers said that over the next two to three weeks. Mr. Clinton would make the final decision about the size and shape of a stimulus package.

Among Mr. Clinton's advisers, there are

fears that the economic expansion could still peter out, despite the surge in consumer confidence that followed Mr. Clinton's victory in November. They worry that the surge could evaporate and economic growth tumble if the job market remains depressed and large corporations continue making massive, much-publicized layoffs.

"It's important to take out insurance In his confirmation hearing Monday, you'd say there is still a recession - it's against a future decline, even if there's just a

40 percent chance of having one," said one These advisers noted that the strong

growth in consumer spending in recent months could fade because it is galloping ahead so much faster that growth in disposable income. Mr. Clinton's aides said they were confi-

dent that a deficit spending package of \$20 billion to \$30 billion would be small enough to prevent financial markets from worrying that the plan will spur inflation and push up long-term interest rates. Advisers say Mr. Clintoo will also seek to

reassure financial markets by coupling his

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### EC Economic Indicator At Lowest in a Decade

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche BRUSSELS -- Economic confidence io the European Community has dropped to levels last seen at the trough of recession io 1982, the EC Commission said Monday.

The commission said in a report that the Community's leading economic indicator dropped in November last year by 0.3 of a percentage point to 96.6 only half a point above a low of 96.1 in October 1982. The index fell most sharply in

Belgium, Germany, France and the Netherlands. The index reflects general economic confidence by including the sentiment of industrialists, consumers and the construction sector, plus stock indexes.

The report said the manufacturing, building and retail industries all expected business to deteriorate in coming months. It said that domestic demand was stagnant, that an expected upturn in foreign trade was nowhere in sight, and that "there are at present no signs of a turnaround in economic activity."

The report said almost half of all consumers in the Community be-lieved that the economy would keep deteriorating through 1993.

More businesses were planning

to reduce production in the next few months, a reflection of reduced factory orders, deemed to be even worse than in previous months, the

Especially in Germany, but also in Belgium, France, Luxembourg

very unsatisfactory.

"Foreign business has recently been further damaged by the turmoil oo currency markets," the report said. "Given the sluggishness of growth in the world ecocomy. foreign husiness wil not improve in the short term." It added that over-all economic activity was expected to receive very little boost from

ndustrial output. Under these circumstances, the continuing stability of prices will be the only positive feature in the coming months," it concluded. In the construction industry, "the slackening of demand led to a dis-tinct weakening in the trend towards higher prices," the report said.

Among retailers, the report said sustained decline in sales was feared, especially by car dealers.

Separately, France's national statistics office reported that gross domestic product, adjusted for inflation, grew 0.3 percent in the third quarter of 1992. That represented a revision of preliminary

data that had indicated a quarteron-quarter rise of 0.4 percent.

Projecting third-quarter growth
through the fourth quarter would mean the French economy grew 1.9

percent in 1992. The statistics office said imports of goods and services rose 1.9 per-cent, while exports were up only 0.5 percent. Household consumption

picked up, the office said. (AFP, UPI, Bloomberg)

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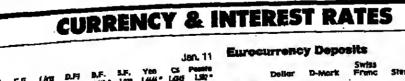
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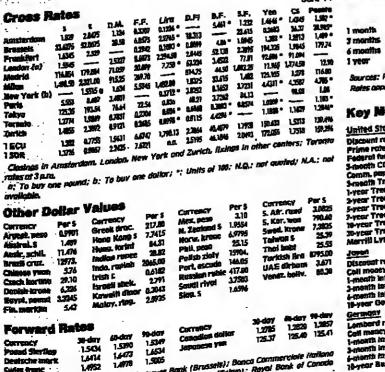
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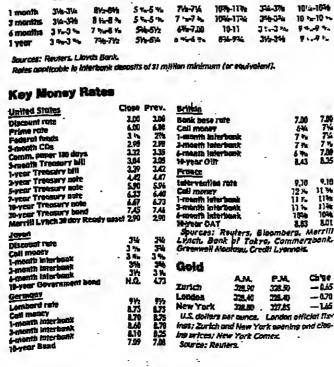


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given. Chrysler's stock, which closed at \$36.375 Monday, has risen sharply from around \$12 a little less than a year ago.

PROVIDENCE. Rhode Island (UPI) - Sunbeam-Oster Co.'s stock

dropped Monday after the appliance maker's board dismissed its top executive and majority stockholder in a surprise move.

Sumbeam-Oster told Paul B. Kazarian over the weekend that the board

had relieved him of his duties as chairman, chief executive and president.

Mr. 'Kazarian, 37, had led Japonica Partners, the investor group that

took Allegheny International Inc. out of Chapter 11 protection in 1990 and renamed it Sunbeam-Oster. Mr. Kazarian owns three-quarters of the

Salomon Trader's Plea Bargain Fails

NEW YORK (AP) — A plea agreement between federal prosecutors and the former Salomon Brothers chief bond trader, Paul Mozer, collapsed during a hearing in federal court Monday as attorneys could not agree on the scope of the document.

Mr. Mozer had agreed to plead guilty to two counts of making false statements to the government about unauthorized bids he directed at a Treasury anction Feb. 21, 1991. The judge refused to accept the deal after Mr. Mozer's lawyer contended it would bar the Justice Department from bringing antitrust charges against Mr. Mozer, and the prosecutor disagreed.

MANAMA, Bahrain (Reuters) — United Saudi Commercial Bank said Monday it bought a \$100 million stake in Saks Fifth Avenue for Saudi investors including the bank chairman, Prince Walid ibn Talai ibn Abdulaziz.

Bank officials said the stake represented more than 11 percent of the 5900 million book value of the fashion retailer. They said United Saudi bought the stake on Dec. 22 from the Bahrain-based Investcorp Bank EC.

Sony Music Entertainment Inc. and Warner Music Group, a unit of

Time Warner Inc., said they would jointly own and operate two direct-marketing businesses in the United States and Germany. (Reuters)

Gulf Investors Shuffle Saks Stake

Sunbeam-Oster Dismisses CEO

stock, which fell 87.5 cents to \$15.875 a share.

#### MARKET DIARY

### Battered Blue Chips The Dow Daily closings of the Make a Comeback

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — Rebounds in some hard-hit blue chips and a firming in Treasury bond prices lifted U.S. stocks out of B two-day slump on Monday, while over-the-counter issues sprinted to a record. A resumption of the rally in computer, software and semiconductor

#### M.Y. Stocks

shares also helped the market rise. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 11.08 points to 3,262.75. recouping part of last week's 49.44point loss

Standard & Poor's 500 index was up 1.90 at 430.95. Advancing issues outpaced losers by a 10-to-7 margin on volume of more than 217 million shares on the New York Stock Exchange, down from 262.6

million Friday.
Elsewhere, the Nasdaq composite index climbed 5.19 points to a

record high of 682.40. 'The fact that the bond market has stabilized has helped" stocks, said Peter Canelo, chief investment strategist Bt NBtWest Securities.

The yield on the benchmark 30year bond, which surged from 7.35 percent to 7.46 percent last week. eased to 7.45 percent Monday. Stock prices closed at session highs following a flurry of computer-guided huy orders just before the close, Birinyi Associates said. Teléfonos de México ADRs were the most-active stock, falling 1% to 55%. Wertheim Schroder crossed a block of about 4 million shares at

55 just before the close. IBM was next, rebounding from its recent slump to rise 1% to 47%. Eastman Kodak soared 3% to 45 after the company named Christopher J. Steffen, credited with helping to oversee turnarounds at Honevwell Corp. and Chrysler Corp., as

its new chief financial officer. Intel soared 3% to a record finish of 102%, fueled by surging demand for its products.

Novell gained 14 to 3112, and Apple Computer Inc. leapt 1% to 64% amid the rally in high-technol-

ogy issues.

Merck rose ¼ to 43¼ after announcing plans to buy back another \$1 billion of its stock. The drug company's share price has slumped about 11 percent over the past month amid concerns that Bill Clinton will impose stricter price controls on pharmaceuticals.

Boeing, hurt by news that Japan Airlines Co. plans to delay delivery of some 747 airplanes, dropped # to 38%. The news prompted analysts at Cowen & Co. and Morgan Stanley to reduce 1994 earnings es-(Bloomberg, Reuters,

### **Ebbing Gulf Tension** Lets Air Out of Dollar

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — The dollar fell Monday as tensions in the Gulf eased and disappointment over U.S. employment levels prompted

investors to book profits.

The dollar closed at 1.6340 Deutsche marks in New York, down more than a pfennig from 1.6475

The dollar closed at 125.155 yen. down slightly from 125,385 yen; at

#### Foreign Exchange

1.4920 Swiss francs, down from 1.5025, and at 5.5245 French francs, down from 5.6050. The pound finished at \$1.5515, up 2 cents from \$1.5315.

"Nothing really materialized" in terms of confrontation with Iraq over the weekend, said Alfonso Alejo, assistant vice president at Mitsui Taivo Kobe Bank. That led some investors to lower their bids from Friday's levels. he said.

The Pentagon said Iraq had com-plied with much of the ultimatum to clear surface-to-air missiles from the no-flight zone in southern Iraq.

the U.S. employment report last Friday also weighed on the dollar. The

report showed the economy gained

just 64,000 jobs in December. 'The number that came out Friday was somewhat disappointing and it took the wind out of everyone's sails," said Guy Standing, assistant vice president at Crèdit Ly-onnais in New York.

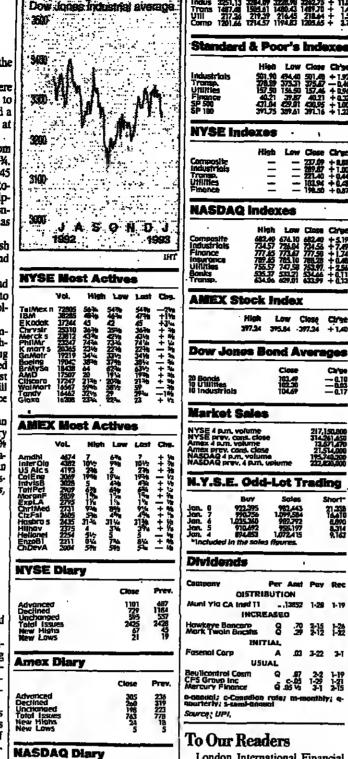
The pound made more inroads against the dollar and the mark as investors concluded that most of the bad news in Britain had probably arrived, traders said.

The pound closed at 2.5377 DM. up from 2.5235 DM on Friday. In London trading of European In London trading of European currencies, the beleaguered Irisb punt staggered through another day and the French franc enjoyed a respite from speculators.

The punt, which had started the day perilously close to its floor in the exchange-rate mechanism, pulled clear of the danger zone to about 54.30 Belgian francs and 2.9595 Dutch guilders toward the end of European trading.

The Irish currency was given a helping hano by punitive money market rates of up to 100 percent. The French franc traded in late Lingering disappointment over afternoon at 3.40 to the mark, the same as Friday evening.

(Bloomberg, Reuters)



### To Our Readers

London International Financial Futures Exchange prices were not available Monday due to problems at the source. We regret the incon-

### PLAN: Short-Term Jolt Is Weighed

(Continued from first finance page) short-term stimulus package with a plan to cut the deficit long-term.

Pushing forward with a stimulus package is expected to bave political benefits for Mr. Clinton. It will show him vigorously pushing to fulfill his campaign promises to do something about the economy.

Indeed, some economists called the likely short-term plan "cosmetic fiscal stimulus." saying it would be so small - less than one-half of I percent of total U.S. economic output — that it would have far more political effect than economic

At Mr. Clinton's economic conference in Little Rock last month, James Tobin, a Yale economics professor and winner of the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economics. urged Mr. Clinton to spur the economy with \$60 billion more in deficit spending this year.

### **Kodak Hires** An Expert on

hat post next month.

The appointment resolves the mystery created when Mr. Steffen, 50, surprised Wall Steet just before Christmas by resigning as chief fi-nancial and administrative officer at Honeywell Inc. He had been credited with playing a major role in the Minneapolis-based electronic-con-

# Turnarounds

New York Times Service NEW YORK — The troubled Eastman Kodak Co. broke with tradition Monday and named Christopher J. Steffen, an outsider with a reputation as a turnaround specialist, as chief financial officer. The photography giant based in Rochester. New York, had annonnced last September that Paul Smith would be retiring from

the New York Stock Exchange.
"You don't bring in a guy like
this unless you are going to listen to

egy, rather than financial discipline.

## Chrysler Plans \$1 Billion Stock Issue HIGHLAND PARK, Michigan (Reuters) — Chrysler Corp., taking advantage of its soaring share price, announced Monday that it would increase its common equity by 14 percent with a stock offering that is likely to raise more than \$1 billion. In separate testimony to the No. 3 U.S. automaker's improving condition, the credit services Moody's and Standard & Poor's both said they were raising their ratings on \$13 billion in senior debt of Chrysler and Chrysler Financial Corp. The upgradings leave the securities still two notches below investment grade, however. Chrysler filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for a public offering of up to 46 million new common shares, compared with the 295 million shares outstanding. No price was

trols company's drive to boost prof-its and shareholder returns.

Mr. Stellen's popularity on Wall Street was realfirmed Monday as Kodak's stock rose \$3.25 to \$45 on

Honeywell in 1989 from Chrysler Corp., where he risen to vice presi-

Kay R. Whitmore, Kodak's chairman and chief executive, praised Mr. Steffen's experience as a strategist and turnaround expert. And Mr. Steffen said that most of his discussions with Kodak had centered on asset deployment and strat-

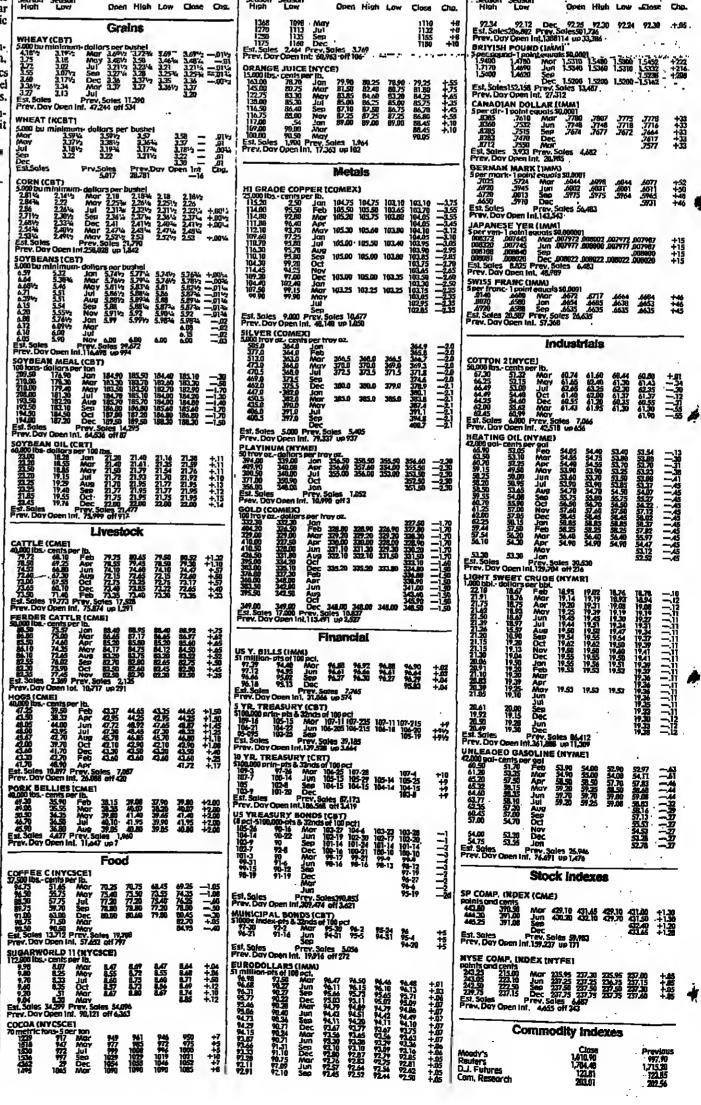
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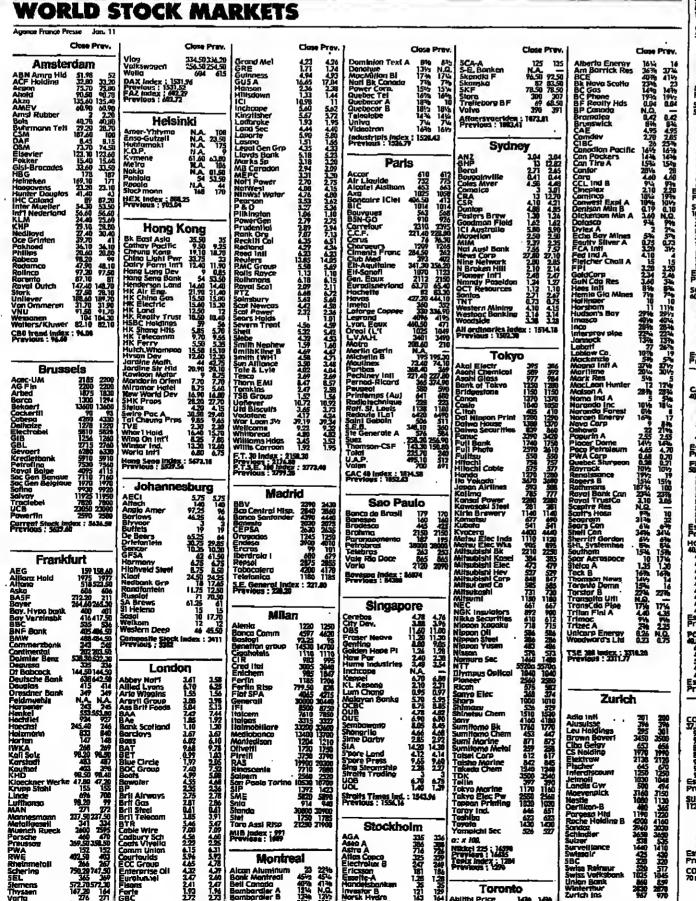
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By Barnaby J. Feder

him," said B. Alex Henderson at Prudential Bache Securities. "So far, they've had a lot of restructur-ing with little to show for it. If they can achieve half of what he did at

Honeywell, it will really help."

Mr. Steffen said he had been approached by Kodak and several other companies last fall. He will start at Kodak on Feb. 8.

Mr. Steffen had been recruited to

dent and controller in eight years.

### Weekend Box Office

For the Record

"A Few Good Men," the military courtroom drama starring Tom Cruise and Jack Nicholson, pushed aside "Aladdin" to regain the No. 1 U.S. box office position over the weekend. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers, based on Friday ticket sales and estimated sales for

59.2 million 57.5 million 56.7 million 55.5 million (Columbia) (Oisney) (Universol) (Warner Brothers) (Warner Brothers) (20th Century Fax) (20th Century Fox) (Trimark Pictures

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Commodity Indexes

# • Stockholm Moves To Reduce Deficit

STOCKHOLM - Finance Minister Anne Wibble proposed sharp cuts in the souriog cost of unemployment benefits on Monday in an attempt to stop Sweden's budget deficit from spinning

out of control. She announced reductions in compensation for unemployment. job-creation and training programs and work injury, despite forecasiing a jobless rate approaching 7 percent of the work force.

"The Swedish economy is in the throes of a deep recession," Mrs. Wibble told parliament.

Sweden's generosity to developing countries and its spending on defense and pensions also [ell victim to the economic crisis.

State spending in the fiscal year starting next July will be 520.7 bil-lion kronor (\$70.4 billiont on falling income of only 358.4 hillion kronor, leaving a shortfall of 1623

The current year's hudget deficit is expected to reach a record 198.3 billion kronor. Repayments on Sweden's na-

tional debt alone will account for 95 billion kronor next fiscal year. according to the hudget. New savings worth 11.9 billion kronor announced Monday included a 4.7 billion kronor cut in unemployment payments and 2.1 billion

kronor less on job-creation projects and work training. The government had already an-

kronor for the next budget year, bringing the total to 16.8 billion kronor

The opposition Social Democratic leader. Ingvar Carlsson, con-demned the budget, accusing the rightist-led coalition government of giving up the struggle for ecocomic growth, full employment and sound state finance.

fan Wachtmeister, leader of the New Democracy Party, also sharply criticized the government, accus-

ing it of mismanaging the economy.

Mrs. Wibble said Sweden intended to return to a fixed exchange rate for the krona, which has depreciated by about 20 percent since being allowed to float on

"The krona's fall in value means a lower standard of living for the whole country." Mrs. Wibble said. "Nobody can be allowed to compensate himself for this at another person's cost."

Apart from a strong rise in exports, largely due to lower prices stemming from devaluation, budget forecasts were gloomy. As well as an increase in the

jobless rate, gross domestic prod-uct is expected to slow in 1993 for the third year in a row, rising by 1.6 per cent in 1994.

inflation, which has gradually fullen from double digits to an annual rate of 2.3 percent in November, is expected to rise to 4.9 percent next year, partly because of nounced net savings of 4.9 billion higher import prices, before falling to 1.9 percent in 1994.

Friday, but represented a devalua-

tion of about 18 percent since the

"This is clearly going to help the lira because it translates into capital

### Ratings Cut On Banks In Sweden

AFP-Extel News

NEW YORK - Moody's nvestors Service said Monday it cut the long-term ratings of major Swedish banks, includ-ing Nordbanken AB, Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken and Svenska Handelsbanken AB. because of the "highly adverse" economic climate there.

"In particular, limited trading activities and slock loan demand will constrain revenues," Moody's said, "At the same time, loan-loss provisions and the drag of nonperforming assets will continue to

depress operating results."

The rating agency said a measure passed by the Swedish parliament in December to ensure that banks and other credit institutions could meet their commitments appeared sufficient to protect creditors over the medium term, but was not a permanent guarantee. "Consequently, over the longer term, creditors will have to look to institutions' underly-

ing fundamentals," it said. Moody's cut its senior debt ratings on Nordhanken and SE Banken by two notches, to A2 from Aa3, and on Svenska Handelsbanken hy one notch. to Al from Aa3.

Moody's also cut the longterm ratings of Swedbank. Spintab AB and SBAB.

### A Leaner Era Dawns at Volkswagen

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### New Chief Expected to Trim Costs in German Operations

BONN — A landmark board meeting at Volks-wagen AG on Wednesday is expected to usher in a new era at Europe's largest curmaker as the longstanding and increasingly pressing problem of high domes-tic costs is tackled.

Rarely has the outcome of a meeting at Volkswagen been so eagerly awaited by analysts as Wedoesday's extraordinary session of the supervisory board, when the oew management board chairman, Ferdinand Piech, is expected to reveal new strategies.

Months of market rumors reached a new peak last week and trading positions were adjusted. Volkswagen shares were the murker's most actively traded on Friday, and nn Monday they rose 2 Deutsche marks to 256.50 DM (\$155.55) in a broadly higher German auto

Details of Mr. Piech's plan are closely guarded, but it is clear that they include a cut in the company's global investment program.

Analysis hope that Mr. Piech, who took over from Chairman Carl Hahn on Jan, I, will also accelerate job cuts. "The key problem has been identified as overmanning at Wolfsburg," said Bob Barber, analysi at

Failure in the past to cut costs at Wolfsburg, where some 60,000 jobs are based, is blamed on strategic choices and on the influence of unions and major

Tomkins Profit

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quired the baker Ranks Hovis McDougall, said Monday that its

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247 pence after it reported £47.1

million (\$72.1 million) profit for the six months ended Oct. 31. the first half of its financial year. Revenue fell 3.2 percent to £575.5 million.

Tomkins operates mainly in the

United States and Britain, Hardest

hit by the slump were Tomkins'

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United States, where sales fell sharply. Murray Ohio cycles and

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Tomkins stock fell 11 pence to

tions remained difficult.

LONDON - Tomkins PLC, the

The state of Lower Saxony, where the bulk of Volkswagen's plants are located, is the company's largest single shareholder with a stake of 20 percent. The state also occupies two seats on Volkswagen's 20member supervisory board, while unions directly hold eight seats.

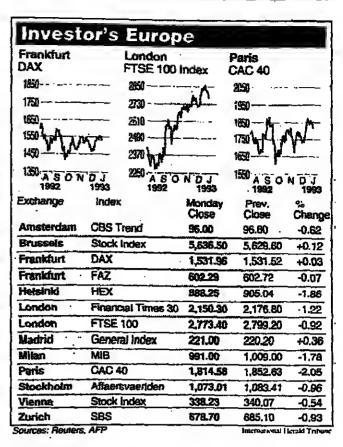
A cornerstone of Volkswagen's strategy during the If-year reign of Mr. Hahn was to expand market share. The assumption was that rising profits would follow, said Robert Willis of House Govett

While Volkswagen succeeded in boosting its market share — since 1985 it has held the leading spot in Western Europe and in 1992 this share rose to 17.5 percent from 16.4 percent - group profits are sagging under the weight of the German-based parent

Some analysts believe Volkswagen has suffered from a lack of action between April of last year, when Mr. Piech was nominated, and January when he can make his first moves. Among Volkswagen employees, the relative paralysis in top management was referred to as WAP, the "Waiting for Piech" period.

In Brussels, meanwhile, the European Com said Monday it was reviewing plans by Volkswagen to purchase VAG (UK), a unit of Lourho PLC and the British importer and distributor of Volkswagen

The Commission has about one month to approve the purchase or to open a full inquiry.



### Trafalgar House Warns Of No Early Turnaround

LONDON - Trafalgar House PLC said Monday it believed nusiness had reached a low point in 1992 but cautioned that it saw no

sign of recovery in its key markets this year.

"We do not foresee an upnure in activity in 1993, particularly as the engineering and construction industries, which lag the economic cycle, are clearly entering a period of more difficult trading conditions. Chairman Alan Clements told shareholders at the annual meeting.

He said recent cuts in British interest rates and the dollar's rise should benefit shipping, botels and property, but warned it would "take some time to restore the group's fortunes to acceptable levels" Trafalgar House last month reported a pretax loss of £30.3 million [546.7 million] in the year ended Sept. 30, 1992, and took a charge of

£13£.0 million to write down real estate holdings.

Mr. Clements reiterated the group's plan to concentrate on engineering and construction and reduce its exposure to property. He also said Trafalgar's Cunard Lines held its position in the cruise industry and was considering various options, including management contracts and joint ventures, to expand. (Reuters, AFX, Bloomberg)

#### Very briefly:

• TI Group PLC's unit Dowty Woodville Polymer is probably under investigation by the U.S. Defense Department in connection with the pricing of components for the B1-B bomber. TI said.

. Hanson PLC's U.S. arm. Hanson Industries, is in discussions with Santa Fe Pacific Corp. to make a \$500 million swap of Hanson's Gold Fields Mining Co. for Santa Fe's coal and quarry assets.

 Alcatel-CTT is to supply India with its first data-transmission network. to link 50 big Indian companies starting next June.

Lagardère Groupe, formed from the merger of MMB and Ariil SA, said that as a result of transactions involved in the merger, stakes in it were acquired by a number of companies including General Electric Co. of Britain, Daimler-Benz and Clinvest, a unit of Credit Lyonnais.

· Siemens AG is to meet with Skoda Pilzen AS of the Czech Republic to discuss cooperation in the transportation business.

Hagemeyer NV of the Netherlands, 60 percent owned by Hong Kong's First Pacific Co., is buying the Australian photographic-equipment distributor Kayell Pty. for an undisclosed sum.

Crédit Suisse said it had expected the decisions of Standard & Poor's Corp. and Moody's investor Services Inc. to place its long-term credit rating on review for possible downgrade because of parent CS Holding's proposed acquisition of Swiss Volksbank. 

AFX, Renters, AFP, Bloomberg

### Finnish Bank Aid Plan to Hit Equity Values

HELSINKI — The Finnish government plans to insist on significant write-offs of equity values for the nation's ailing hanks in return for increased state support, a Finance Ministry official said Monday.

Under the new plan, the nominal value of a bank's shares would be cut in proportion to the amount of state support the bank received, the official said. "They could be cut up to 50 percent," he said, "but further cuts would need careful consideration."

Carlo Ciampi, governor of the lira pulled out of the exchange-rate Bank of Italy, said that "there is mechanism on Sept. 17.

Finnish television reported that Finance Minister liro Viinanen said the reductions in share values would occur in the next few months. He reportedly

excluded a total write-off of share values. The government last week proposed to provide 30 billion markkaa (\$5.5 billion) more in assistance for the banking industry on top of the 20 billion markkaa already granted. The opposition, which can effectively block the package, has demanded that the state get compensation for its support. (Reuers, AFX)

\*BOND: Big DM Issue Will Test Italy's Marketability (Continued from first finance page) days and was quoted at around 912 told Reuters, "At least it should unreturn to the international debt to the mark late Monday. That was derpin the currency at current lev-

stronger than a quote of 923 on cls Mr. Draghi called the issue a "unique and very important occasioo" for his country, which he said had embarked on a "quality" plar. to trim the federal deficit to less than 5 percent of gross domestic product in 1995, from 10 percent

company said. Britain's economy remains "particularly weak," Tomkins said, with pects for this year are also pleasant. Malaysia's economy, with real growth last year of 8.5 percent over 1991, is Asia's fastest growing next fastener distribution and Pegler Hattersley valves bearing the brunt.

consolidation, if nothing else just

But it said opportunities offered by the £950 million purchase of Ranks Hovis, plus cost-cutting and the lower pound, meant Tomkins would "deliver a full-year result in line with the demanding expectstions of shareholders."

(Remers, Bloomberg)

#### HANG SENG: Hong Kong Market Appears to Be Taking New Heart (Continued from first finance page) to cope with the slow economy we are seeing in Western countries and

the domestic bottlenecks," said Paul S.B. Chan, head of research at OCBC Securities (Melaka) Sdn. in Kuala Lumpur. "All these are conto China. This year, after several years of impressive growth, econoverging around this time, so I think it will lead to a slower rate of mists predict a lower but still growth for equity prices as well." bealthy growth rate of about 7 per-

Analysis say the Kuala Lumpur index could rise to 700 or 750 by There has to be some sort of

Thailand's stock market surprised investors by pulling itself out of a deep slump brought on by an attempted coup. The SET index ended the year at 893.42, up 25.6 percent and stood at 926.70 on

Monday, and that prices could be three times its volume, Thailand may be a somewhat risky but potentially profitable option for overseas investors.

Thailand is one of the better picks, and I expect it will hit new highs," said Timothy H. Moe, head of regional research at Jardine Fleming Securities Ltd. "If politics With \$55 billion in market capitalization, or about half that of Maare resolved in Hong Kong, then the end of the year, from 621.56 00 laysia's market, and more than up higher than Thailand."

#### the bond sale flow into Italy. inflows," Mario Nocra, chief economist with Euromobiliare in Milan, RICE: In Japan, the Traditional Staple Is Giving Way to Western Tastes

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market be a success, said one Lon-

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tions of the Asian "rice bowl" culture, Japan . has switched to Westernized menus.

Virtually every Japanese home has a denki-gama, or electric rice cooker, and most house-wives still make a full pot of rice in it every morning. But more and more, the rice is a supplement to meals of meat and vegetables, bread and margarine, that would look familiar on an American table.

The traditional Japanese breakfast — rice and scaweed, pickled vegetables and soybean-paste soup — bas been replaced almost everywhere by something called a "morning set" toast, cereal scrambled eggs and tossed salad (a breakfast item people here think they learned from America). This is so common that some botels now actually advertise that they offer a Japanese breakfast in addition to the expected

In 1960, according to the Agriculture Minis-try, the people of Japan got 48 percent of their total caloric intake from rice. Today, the figure is about 28 percent. Meats, dairy products and vegetables, meanwhile, have all increased in

share of average caloric intake. This sharp change, in turn, has sparked a countermovement, as rice interests here adopt Western promotional ideas to sell their prod-

Playing upon the increasing Japanese and for diets, national agricultural groups built big campaigns around a popular book by a food writer, Sonoko Suzuki, which bore the irresistible title "Get Slim by Eating Rice."

Following the principle of "if you can't lick 'em, join 'em," nice sellers have also worked their product into the menus of the last-food

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The MosBurger chain here, basically a Mc-

Donald's knock-off, sells a "riceburg rice patty where the meat would be. And even McDonald's has introduced seaweed-wrapped rice balls and curried rice in its Japanese stores, alongside its burgers.

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And as the data eccumulated in the Ministry of Post and Telecommunications (MPT), and incorporated in the National Emergency Reconstruction Program (NERP), indicates the necessity to provide a minimum capacity of 1.5 million subscriber lines; the MPT intends to meet these needs as follows:

500,000 subscriber lines through implementation of the cellular network 500,000 subscriber lines through rehabilitation and modernization of the existing network.

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The government has initiated separate measures to modernize, develop and extend the existing network; consequently the (MPT) and the Council for Development end Reconstruction (CDR) ennounce the intention to echieve 500,000 subscriber lines through implementation of a modern digital mobile radio cellular system covering all the Lebanese Territory and capable of being extended in 700,000 lines, whenever needed, through BOT concept and according to the following program:

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A mobile radio-cellular system of the GSM type will be implemented on the basis of the BOT concept as described in Terms of Reference prapared for this purpose to include all the technical, administrative, financial and operational conditions.

This project will be executed under the supervision of engineers and consultants appointed by MPT and CDR.

The contractors capable of executing such a project are invited to apply for pre-qualification.

Reasons for not pre-qualifying any firm or consortium need not be given, and no costs incurred in pre-qualification will be reimbursed. Invitations for bidding will only be sent to firms or consortia which are pre-qualified.

The MPT and CDR invite contracting firms and consortia interested in bidding to obtain pre-qualification documents starting January 15, 1993 from the:

Council for Development and Reconstruction (CDR) Tallet El-Seray , Beirut-Lebanon

Pre-qualification bids with all supporting material shall be submitted at CDR offices no later than March 3, 1993 at

noon.

### Russia Predicts Stable Oil Exports

MOSCOW - Russian exports of crude oil rose sharply in 1992 but will probably stabilize at current levels this year, officials said Monday.

An official of the Fuel and Energy Ministry said provisional figures showed oil exports rose more than 22 percent in 1992 from 1991, reaching 66.2 million tons, or 1.32 million barrels a day.

An official at the producer Rosneftegaz said early forecasts showed 1993 exports would be unchanged from 1992 levels.

"Although there is no final balance, the preliminary forecast is at about the same level as 1992, that is, about 66 million tons," said Georgi Gopuridze, an aide to the Rosneftegaz president, Lev Churilov. He said the rise in 1992 exports was due to the fact that producers were, for the first time, allowed to sell 10 percent of their oil directly.

Russia is the world's second-biggest oil producer after Saudi Arabia, although output has fallen sharply

in recent years. Production of oil and oil products fell to 395.8 million tons in 1992, down from 460 million tons in 1991. Rosneftegaz officials said last week.

Revenue from oil sales is essential for Russia to repay the foreign debts it accumulated up under the old Soviet system. Recovery in the energy sector could also trigger a revival in other sectors of Russia's

Vladimir Timofeyev of the energy ministry's dispatch and distribution center said the latest preliminary data referred to exports of crude oil beyond the borders of the old Soviet Union.

Exports of 66.2 million tons in 1992 compared with 54.1 million tons in 1991.

Mr. Timofeyev said Russia had also shipped oil to other members of the Commonwealth of Independent States. This included 33.1 million tons to Ukraine, 19.7 million to Belarus and 11.5 million to

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### Saudis Said to Set Rise in Output

Agence France-Presse

NICOSIA — Saudi Arabia will increase its production capacity above 9 million barrels per day starting in April, the Middle East Economic Survey reported Monday.

Riyadh will increase its capacity in February and March to almost 9 million barrels, and production will then rise "substantially" beyond that figure, the Nicosia-based newsletter said.

Actual production will depend on "market conditions and OPEC production agreements," it said, quoting unnamed Saudi sources.

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A spokesman for Fletcher, New Zealand's

third-largest listed company, said its own iovestigation had shown that the company's

code on share trading by company officers had not been breached. National Bank also

The company announced the 450 million New Zealand dollar sale on Nov. 27 amid

heavy market speculation. Fletcher shares

jumped 37 New Zealand cents to 2.11 dollars

in the week before the announcement, while in

Australia, where as much as half of the trading

io Fletcher shares takes place, the shares

jumped 35 percent from Nov. 20 to Nov. 27.

The shares fell 4 cents to 2.33 in Wellington

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Plug on Mainframes TOKYO - ln a sign that the computer revolution shaking the U.S. industry has hit Japan, Mitsubishi Electric Corp. said Monday it would withdraw from the mainframe business to concentrate on smaller computers and software.

The decision highlights a trend among computer makers, most notably International Business Machines Corp., to shift strategy and cut costs as global demand for mainframe computers shrinks.

Companies that have bought large mainframes to process buge volumes of data are shifting more and more toward networks of increasingly powerful and cheap desktop machines such as personal computers and workstations.

Mitsubishi said it was stopping velopment of a successor 10 its EX800 machine, which a spokes-

#### **NTT Promises** Steady Payout

AFP-Exiel News TOKYO - Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp. will. maintain dividends despite falling profits and growing competition. President Masashi Kojima said Monday.

"We cannot cause any more trouble for our shareholders." Kyodo News Service quoted Mr. Kojima as saying. "We will maintain the current level of dividend by whatever means, even by withdrawing reserve funds."

NTT will pay a dividend of 5,000 yen (\$39.90) for the year to March 1993. That is unchanged from the previous two years, but down from a dividend of 6,000 yen paid in the year to March 1990.

NTT shares, which hit a high of 3.18 million yen in 1987, closed at 552,000 yen Monday.

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### Mitsubishi to Pull Fletcher Shares Draw Insider Inquiry

man said would have cost 100 bil-lion yen (\$800 million). It will continue to sell the machine, as well as

the EX900, a maintrame that IBM supplies under license 10 Mitsubishi, as long as demand persists. Milsubishi said it planned to establish four new divisions by April

to strengthen its software and systems-integration operations. The company's computer sales lotaled 293 billion yen in the year ended March 31, 1992. Its mainframe business, which accounts for

12 percent of sales, has been generating losses for several years. Mitsubishi predicted its computer sales would decline to about 275

billion yen to the current year. The company's move may lead Japan's three remaining mainframe makers - Fujisu Ltd., NEC Corp. and Hitachi Ltd. - to rethink their strategies, said Peter Wolff, an analyst at Kidder Peabody & Co.

The biggest of the three, Fujitou, is thought by analysts to be developing the most effective strategy. It is boosting sales of software and services in compensate for dwindling mainframe demand. Mainframes and supercomputers comprise 30 percent of Fujitsu's dataprocessing sales, while software and services account for 32 percent. (Bluomberg, AFP, AP)

Brilliance Group was formed

on Monday.

China Seeks to List 10 Firms on Foreign Bourses

run companies will seek listings on seek capital through listings on overseas stock markets this year, overseas stock markets. The company helped obtain Chithe official China Daily reported na's first overseas listing when China Brilliance Automotive Co. The companies, which will first eained a listing on the New York go through a crash restructuring Stock Exchange tast October. program, will apply for listings in

New York, Singapore, Hong Kong and London or Zurich, Ronald Speaking at a seminar in Shanghai, Mr. Yang said the companies would be selected from various in-Yang, chairman of the Hong Kongbased Brilliance Group, was dustrial sectors.

Mr. Yang did not reveal which companies were being considered

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liance Automoove was aiready seeking a second overseas listing, on the Singapore stock market. The Chinese government has ap-propriated 1 billion yuan, or \$175

million at the official exchange rate, and set up a 45-member com-mittee to belp the companies reach international standards, the China

The newspaper quoted officials

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National Bank's chief executive, John An-

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Mr. Anderson said approval came from National's parent, Lloyds Bank PLC, on

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(Bloomberg, AFP, AFX)

only reason we are at the party is because we

bought the Rural Bank." he said.

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proval to buy Rural Bank.

Meanwhite, a Beijing-owned Hong Kong newspaper reported that private boldings of foreign currency in China, once the almost exclusive preserve of the state, had reached about \$10.2 billion.

The holdings include currencies from 32 countries, ranging from the U.S. and Hong Koog dollars, the yen and pound to the Russian ruble, the New Evening Post said,

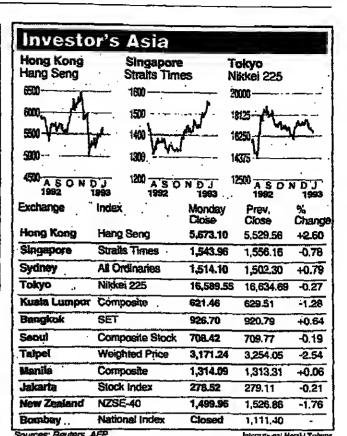
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Co. He was referring in the foreign-exchange rules. "They have not good into deep-freeze,

■ New Delhi Shuns Dubai India, a regular buyer of Dubai crude oil for years, startled oil traders by shunning the grade in its tender last week, Reuters report-"The government is pushing ahead with reforms, but when there's riots in the streets, nobody's going in took at your reforms," said Arvind Sethi, head of the treasury de-

ed from Singapore. "We were surprised they didn't take anv."

one trader said. Dubai prices, a major reference for much Middle East oil, crumbled after the rebuff. February cargos were quoted at March minus 10 to 20 U.S. cents Monday, 5 to 10 cents weaker than late Friday.



#### Very briefly:

NEC Corp.'s A2 senior debt rating was put on review for possible downgrade by Moody's Investors Service, which cited lears that competi-tion in computers and chips would hurt profits; the Japan Bond Research Institute said downgrades outnumbered upgrades 45 to 12 in 1992.

· Leading Spirit (Holdings), a trader of electrical components, said its initial public offer of 94.5 million shares was oversubscribed 364.2 rimes, the second highest ever in Hong Kong: the demand drained 34.5 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$4.5 billion) from the local banking system.

· South Korea has drafted a self-policing agreement it hopes to sign with the United States to stop a U.S. anti-dumping investigation against Korean semiconductors, officials said.

Taiwan's trade with China via Hong Kong rose 26 percent to \$7.3 billion in 1992, according in Taiwan's Board of Foreign Trade.

· Sanvo Electric Co. said it would invest 527 million in set up a 90 percent-owned subsidiary in Iodonesia to make refrigerator compressors. Hong Kong's government said it intended in appoint an Australian telecommunications regulator, Alexander Arena, as head of its new Office of the Telecommunications Authority.

 The Philippines' ambassador-designate to Russia said he hoped to work out an arrangement allowing Manila to trade products like bananas and coconut oil for Russian arms. Reuters, AFX, Bloomberg, AP, UPI, AFP

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#### Business leaders quickly welcomed the the shine off the government's attempt in instill new life into the reform process. changes in the Foreign Exchange Regula-Around 200 people have died in six days of tion Act, one of the cornerstoods of India's Hindu-Moslem riots.

Domestic Strife Deals Blow to India's Struggling Economy

BOMBAY - Renewed communal bloodshed in Bombay and a strike by Indian Airlines pilots have dealt twin blows in India's struggling economy, overshadowing government efforts to inject new life inm its reform program.

The government of Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao, attempting to revive the process of economic liberalization begun 18 months ago and show it has not been derailed by oaconwide riots in December, on Friday unveiled new measures radically revising foreign exchange rules.

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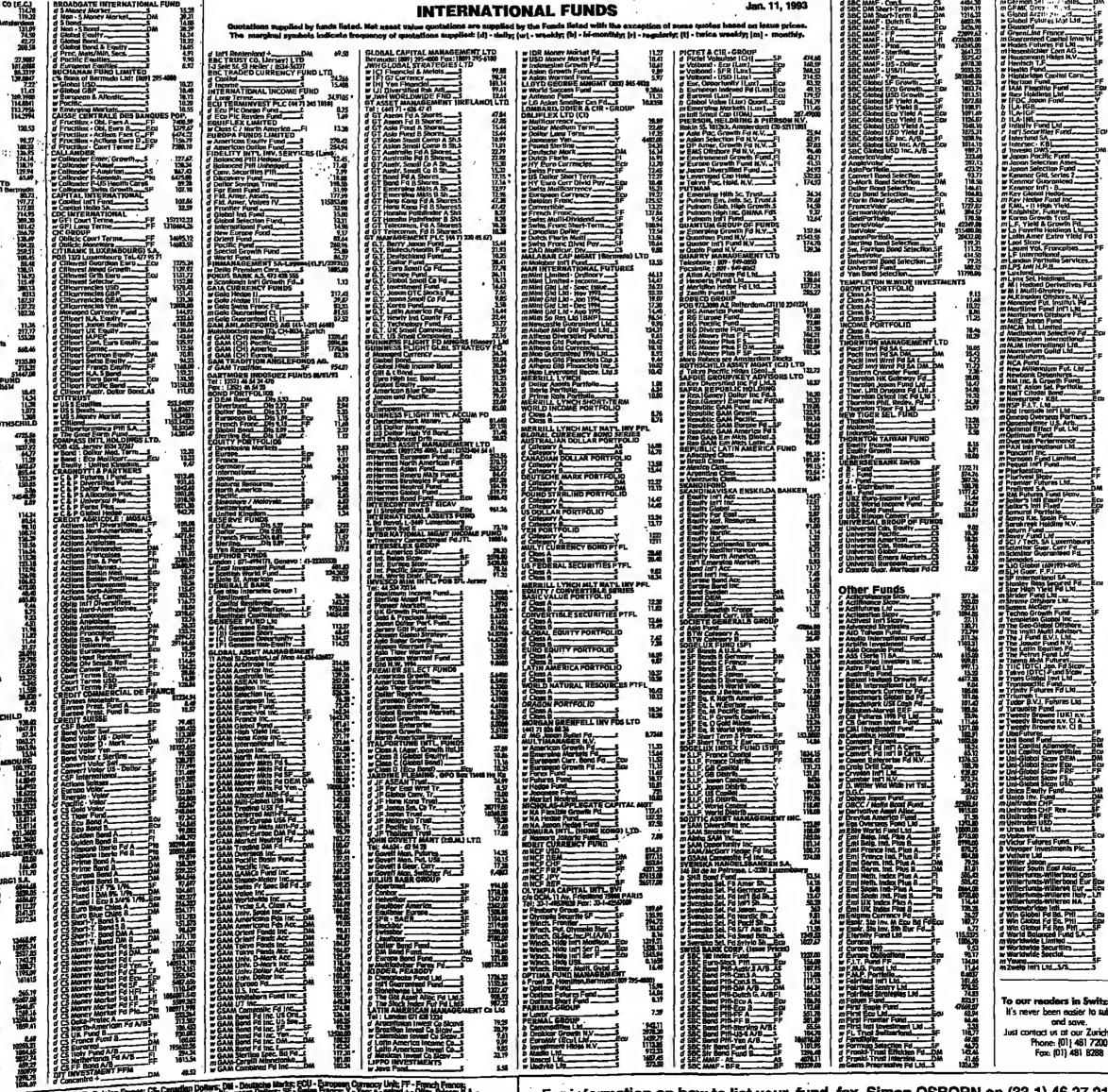
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# SPORTS BASEBALL

### Georgia Tech **Hands Duke** Its First Loss

By Barry Jacobs

ATLANTA - Lost in the shadows since a visit to the semifinals of the national championship tourna-ment in 1990, the Georgia Tech baskethall team has re-emerged to upend top-ranked Duke, 80-79, in an Atlantic Coast Conference game.

ft was the Blue Devils' first loss since last Feb. 23, when they fell in another ACC game, 72-68, to Wake Forest Their winning streak, the longest in the country among major college haskethall teams, was stopped at 23. That equaled a school record set last season.

The No. 10-ranked Yellow Jackets (9-1, 2-0 in the ACC) scored the game's first dozen points Sunday, then withstood a second-half rally to defeat college basketball's de-fending national champion. Duke's a 6-6 junior. "We can't come into overall season record is now | |-1; it

is I-I in the ACC. Their kids really came out at a high level, played us as hard or harder than anybody's played us this year," said Mike Krzyzewski, the Duke coach.

Duke trailed by 44-37 at half-time, and didn't take its first lead until Grant Hill hit a leaning jumper in the lane lor a 60-59 advantage with 9 minutes, 20 seconds remaining Immediately, the Geor-gia Tech coach, Bobby Cremins, called a timeout.

"I thought we were choking," he said. "I thought we were throwing it away. I called a timeout and hallenged them. I just told them, You played so hard, and now you're just giving them the game.' I could see the look in their eyes. can't win just being a perimeter They got mad, and we really

showed tremendous guts," Three ties and four lead changes later, Georgia Tech went ahead to stay, 68-66, on an inside hasket hy Malcolm Mackey. Mackey, a 6-

foot-1:1-inch senior center, and the freshman guard Drew Barry, Rick Barry's youngest son, each scored twice as the Yellow Jackets reeled off 8 unanswered points to lead, 74-66, with two and a half minutes left.

Bobby Hurley responded with a 3-pointer, Grant Hill scored on an acrobatic scoop inside, and Marty Clark hit a follow shot to pull Duke to 76-74 with 1:18 to go.

Again, Georgia Tech called ti-meout. When play resumed, Cremins stood to exhort the sellout crowd of 10,125 fans, which cheered wildly as James Forrest made a free throw, Duke missed a pair of 3-pointers, and Mackey hit three free throws in the final 12 seconds. Clark's 3-pointer at the buzzer was too little, too late.

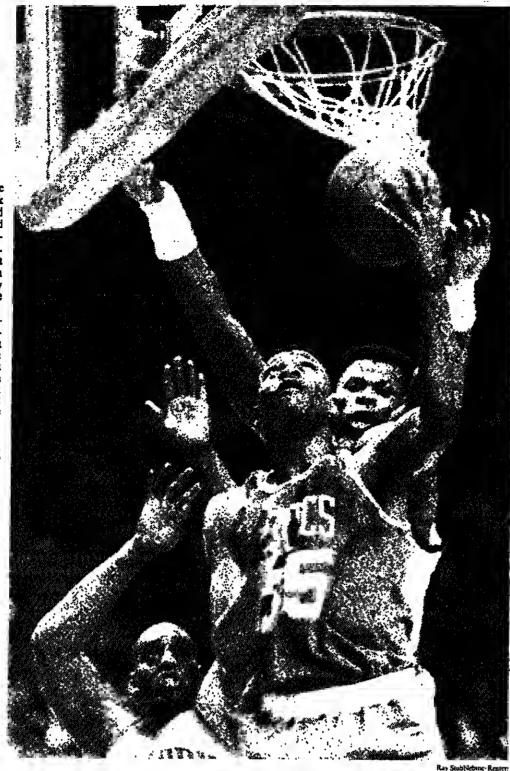
"I think it's definitely an evegames and expect to win, especially the way we played the first 10 min-

Duke had suffered a narrow escape early last week at home, rallying in overtime to defeat Oklahoma after losing a 20-point lead. Sunday, in their first major road test of the year, the Blue Devils were again plagued by their opponent's re-bounding. That was especially true in the first half, when Georgia Tech had nearly as many offensive re-bounds (8) as Duke had total rebounds (10).

Duke was led by Grant Hill, who had 8 rebounds and a game-high 29 points. But the Blue Devils got only 6 points and 9 rebounds combined from its starting hig men, Antonio Lang and Cherokee Parks. "You team," Krzyzewski said.

Certainly not when your starting guards, Hurley and Thomas Hill,

A Big Night for Four Underdogs



Reggie Lewis went backdoor for a lay-up as the Celtics left Madison Square Garden with a victory.

Violence Forces Change

In India-England Series

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cricket international against India, which was

to be played Saturday, was postponed Monday, and the match moved from Ahmedabad to New

Delhi because of the resurgence in Muslim-

Hindu rioting.
At least 60 people have died in six days of

violence in the western city of Ahmedabad. S.S. Sharma, secretary of the Gujarat Cricket

Association, said a new date for the match

would be announced later. The first one-dayer is now to be played Monday in the northern city

of Jaipur, with the second to be played in Chandigarh on Jan. 21.

The first Test starts in Calcutta on Jan. 29.

In Bombay where the third and last Test

match is scheduled to begin Feb. 19, about 160

people have died. The second match is to begin

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### Whaler Gets His Goals Mixed Up

It was hard to say which goal hurt the Hartford Whalers more: the one Pat Verbeek scored, or the

one he didn't. Verbeek missed on a potential game-tying shot late in the second period, then accidentally back-passed the puck 185 feet into his own net early in the third for the eventual game-winning goal as the Montreal Canadiens beat the Whalers, 7-5, on Sunday night. Verbeek missed a wide-open net

#### NHL HIGHLIGHTS

on a 2-on-1 break with Patrick Pou-

lin in the second period when the Canadiens led, 2-1. Despite being just a few feet out, Verbeek slid the puck wide behind the goalie, Andre Racicot.

"Players miss easy slam dunks in basketball," Verbeek said. "I just missed that easy slam dunk." Unfortunately for the Whaler his aim was perfect in the third

With the Hartford goalie, Mario Gosselin, off during a delayed penalty call. Verbeek tried to center from behind the Montreal net to Murray Craven. But the puck sailed through the Canadiens' zone untouched, continued down ice and landed dead-center in the empty net. Kirk Muller was credited with his second goal of the night, giving

the Canadiens a 6-1 lead. Kings 5, Blackhawks 4: Los Angeles ended a 10-game winless streak as Wayne Gretzky set up Tony Granato's second goal of the

game with 7:59 left in the third period in Chicago Stadium.

"I decided to play tonight be-cause I felt I could contribute," said Gretzky, who has two goals and four assists in three games since returning from the back sur-gery that forced him to miss the Kings' first 39 games. "I didn't want to emharrass myself. My tim-ing is a little off, but it will come back in time."

The victory, which ended an 0-8-2 slide, was the Kings' first since Dec. 12 and their 800th regular-

Sabres 5, Flames 3: Pat LaFontaine completed a hat trick with the go-ahead goal midway through the third period, and Alexander Mo-gilny added his league-leading 41st goal to power Buffalo to its sixth straight victory.

LaFontaine broke a 3-3 tie when he raced in alone on Mike Vernon and scored at 10:41 of the third period for his 30th goal of the sea-son. The Sabres had tied the score at 7:59 when Mogilny, who has an ll-game point-scoring streak, beat Vernon with a backhander while falling to the ice.

Flyers 4, Oilers 0: Tommy So-derstrom, a rookie, stopped 29 shots for his first NHL shutout as the Flyers beat Edmonton at the Spectrum in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia won its third straight and improved to 5-1-2 in its last eight without Eric Lindros, its star rookie center, who reinjured his left knee in Saturday's 4-3 victory over the New York Rangers. Lindros had fluid drained from the knee Sunday and is listed as day-to-day.

### Mahrer Wins Downhill With Slick Run on Ice

The Associated Press GARMISCH-PARTENKIR-

Daniel Mahrer won a men's downhill race Monday for his second World Cup victory on the tough Kandahar course.

Peter Rzehak of Austria was second, while Sunday's winner, Franz Heinzer, another Swiss veteran,

The race was a replacement for a downhill in Val d'Isère, France, that had to be abandoned because of bad weather on Dec. 4. It was moved from Friday to Monday because of mild weather in the German resort.

The man who led when the December race was abandoned, A.J. Kitt of the United States, decided to skip Monday's race after crash-

ing Sunday.
On an icy, difficult course, Mahrer had a nearly perfect run to clinch his eighth Cup victory with a time of 1 minute, 53.26 seconds. His first victory of the season came in its fourth downhill.

Denis Rey of France was fourth, while Marc Girardelli of Luxen-CHEN, Germany - Swiss veteran bourg finished fifth and extended

his overall World Cup lead. Pietro Vitalini of Italy, a surprise runner-up on Sunday, fell coming

into the final bend Adrien Duvillard skidded off the course, while another Frenchman, Jean-Luc Cretier, suffered the

worst crash of the day. Cretier lost control on the last, long jump into the finish line, fell on his back after crossing the line, tumbled over and crashed through a safety harrier.

World Cup organizers also announced another change in the schedule. Because of the lack of snow, the classic Kitzbühel downhill next weekend has been moved to another Austrian site, St. Anton.

St. Anton will stage a men's super-giant slalom Tnesday. The downhill will be run either on Friday or Saturday, a while a decision on a slalom slated for Kitzbühel will be made later.

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### **NBA Timberwolves Change Coaches**

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NBA's second-worst record, fired Jimmy Rodgers as their coach Monday and replaced him on an interim basis with assistant Sidney Lowe. Lowe was the point guard when the team joined the NBA in 1989-90; Rodgers replaced Bill Musselman, fired after the 1990-91 season. The Timberwolves, whose 15-67 record last season was the NBA's worst, were expected to be vastly improved this season after making major personnel moves. Instead, they are 6-23, having lost 16 of their last 18 games, and in that span have beaten only Dallas — at 2-26, the one

#### John Resigns Watford Soccer Post

LONDON (UPI) — Popular music star Elton John has resigned as a director at the English first division soccer club Watford, virtually ending a 19-year connection with the team, it was announced Monday.

John was chairman of the club between May 1976 and August 1990, a period that represented the most successful spell ever in Watford's history, as it rose from the fourth division to the first under the managership of Graham Taylor and reached the FA Cup final in 1984, when it lost by 2-0 to Everton.

#### Love Wins PGA's First Tourney

CARLSBAD, California (NYT) — Davis Love III held off a charging Tom Kite to win the PGA Tour's season-opening Infiniti Tournament of Champions by one stroke.

While Kite was firing a course record-tying 64 ahead of him Sunday, Love posted a 69 for a total of 16-under par 272 over rain-drenched La Costa Resort and Spa. Paul Azinger, who started the day one stroke behind Love, tied for third with Mark O'Meara at 275.

#### Australian Warmup Gets Chilly

SYDNEY (AP) - Upsets and ailments plagued seeded players as the New South Wales tournament opened Monday, with Mary Joe Fernantlez, the No. 3 women's seed; departing the warmup for next week's Australian Open without even taking the court.

A week-long bout with the flu forced Fernandez to withdraw from singles, while Helena Sukova retired from her match against Germany's Barhara Rittner after the No. 6 women's seed fell and injured a leg at 5-5

Upsets claimed the No. 8 woman, Zina Garrison-Jackson, who lost to Sahine Appelmans of Belgium, 6-4, 7-6 (7-3), and the No. 6 men's player, Spain's Sergi Bruguera, who was beaten by Michael Tebhutt, an Austra lian qualifier ranked 870th in the world, 6-7 (0-7), 7-6 (7-4), 6-4.

#### For the Record

Chan Gailey, 41, who coached the Birmingham Fire to consecutive playoff appearances in the World League of American Football, was named coach at Samford to replace Terry Bowden, who left to become coach at Auburn.

#### Uuotable

Coach Pat Riley after his New York Knicks made 20 turnovers in losing a game: "Right now, you look for the enemy and the enemy is us."

#### Sunday night as the unexpected happened over and over and over and over Hakeem Olajuwon had 35 points, 13

Four games, four surprises, That was the story in the NBA on

The New York Knicks, with the third-best home record in the league, lost

**NBA HIGHLIGHTS** at Madison Square Garden to the Boston Celtics 100-97. • The Houston Rockets, floundering

from a seven-game losing streak, beat the powerful Utah Jazz 97-90. The Los Angeles Clippers, recling from four straight losses, went into Mil-

waukee and beat the Bucks 104-99. • The Miami Heat, last in the Atlantic Division and trudging through a six-game

Western swing, went into The Forum and beat the Los Angeles Lakers, 101-89. None of the outcomes were more surprising than Houston's win over the Jazz. The Rockets held Utah to its lowest point total of the year in winning their first

game since Dec. 26.

broken, and I'm proud of the way we did it," said Houston's coach, Rudy Tomjanovich, of the losing streak, "We finally got that gorilla off our hacks."

rebounds, six blocked shots and six assists. Most important was his 17-of-19 free throw shooting, including six in a row down the stretch that sealed the win. "Now we can start over," Olajuwon

said. "We can concentrate on winning. We had forgotten what it was like to win. 'During the losing streak, we would get down the stretch and panic and make mistakes. We didn't do that tonight." Karl Malone, who led Utah with 29

points and 12 rehounds, kept the game close, trading points with Olajuwon until the Rockets pulled away. Utah ended a three-game swing through Texas with one victory and two

Celtics 100, Knicks 97: The Knicks came back from a 23-point third quarter

deficit only to fall short in the final min-

ute. Rolando Blackman missed a go-

ahead 18-footer with five seconds left, and John Starks missed a long 3-pointer just before the huzzer.

Reggie Lewis scored 30 points for the

Celtics, who won their lifth straight.

"We're playing together right now,"
Lewis said. "We're communicating out on

the floor, helping one another out."
The Celtics, in hitting 41 of 83 shots, just missed snapping a string of 23 games in which Knicks opponents shot less than 50 percent from the field.

Heat 101, Lakers 89: Miami completed a season sweep of the Lakers, the first by any of the four most recent expansion

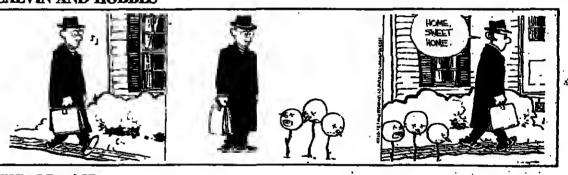
Miami made 23 of 36 shots in the first half and held a 60-42 lead at intermission. The Lakers used a 13-0 run in the fourth quarter to trim the deficit to 89-82, but could get no closer.

Kevin Edwards led the Heat with 25 points and Glen Rice added 22. Chippers 104, Bucks 99: Danny Manning had 24 points and Ken Norman and

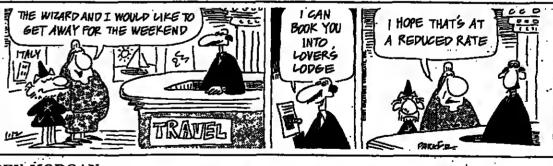
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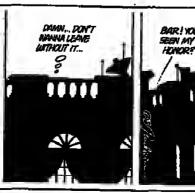


















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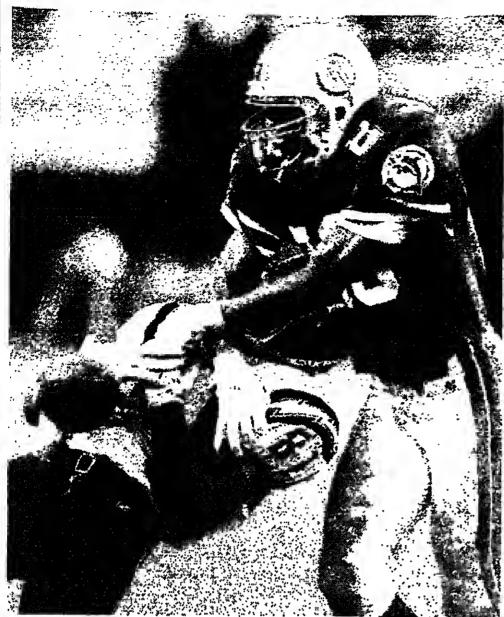
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Super Bowl XXVII

Sunday, Jan. 31 Pasadena, California

## Dolphins Stuff Red-Hot Chargers Into Deep Freeze



Troy Vincent, breaking up a pass to Nate Lewis, also made two game-turning interceptions.

Compiled by Our Staff From Despatche MIAMI - Dan Marino sizzled. Stan Humphries fizzled. The Miami Dolphins moved into the AFC hampionship game of the National Football League's playoffs, the

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San Diego Chargers went home. The Dolphins unberalded defense forced five turnovers and Marino converted three into touchdowns for a 31-0 rout Sunday of the previously red-hot Chargers.
That put the AFC East champions into the conference final against the Buffalo Bills, with whom they split their two games this season.

It also kept alive the hopes of the Dolphins' coach, Don Shula, for a seventh trip to the Super Bowl and stopped San Diego's eight-game winning streak.

The Dolphins, who beat the Bills in Bulfalo and lost to them in Mi-am, will play host to the AFC title game next Sunday. The winner will meet either Dallas or San Francisco in the Super Bowl on Jan. 31.

Bad weather was a factor early in Sunday's contest, but the game plan of Miami's defensive coordinator, Tom Olivadotti, clearly was what posed the most problems for Humphries and, to a degree, the Chargers' highly regarded defense. "Everybody was talking about

San Diego and how physical they are," said Shula, "We wanted them to be talking about us being physical. I think that's what happened." The Chargers never got untracked offensively, finishing with 70 yards rushing and 140 passing. Miami gained 324 yards on offense with Marino completing 17 of 29 passes for 167 yards and Aaron

Craver and Bobby Humphrey gaining 72 and 71 yards on the ground. Rookie Troy Vincent set up two touchdowns with interceptions and Pro Bowl linebacker Bryan Cox's interception led to Marino's third touchdown pass, which gave the Dolphins a 21-0 halftime lead. Vincent, the left cornerback out of Wisconsin who was the Dol-

phins' top draft pick in 1992, was still suffering the effects of a stomach virus. At haiftume, he was given an intravenous saline solution to thwart dehydration. His first pickoff gave Miami the ball on San Diego's 48. Marino

screen pass to Humphrey and, after the Dolphins got to the 1, threw a scoring pass to Tony Paige. That gave Marino at least one touchdown pass in nine straight playoff games, one behind Ken Sta-

immediately tossed a 20-yard

bler of the then-Oakland Raiders. Two drives later. Humphries put a pass up again, and this time Nate Lewis cut it off, then lost it - only to have Vincent came down with the ball on the Chargers' 37.

Marino promptly gunned a 28-varder to Mark Duper, then got the second touchdown with a nine-yard strike to Keith Jackson. It was the first touchdown in seven games for the tight end who joined the Dolpregame hype. phins early in the season as a free agent from the Philadelphia Eagles.

Humphries's third mistake was intercepted by Cox, who returned the football to the San Diego 42. And Jackson soon had a 30-yard scoring strike from Marino.

Peic Stovanovich kicked a 22yard field goal and Craver scored on a 25-yard run in the fourth quarter when Miami's offense, which had scored only six touchdowns in its previous six games, pushed around the NFL's No. 4 defense.

Marion Butts, the Chargers' top back, gained a lot of attention but only 25 yards in the game.

The success of the offense was especially sweet because the San Diego defense is coached by a former Dolphin assistant, Bill Arnsparger, the focus of much of the

"We know Arnsparger is a genius as far as defense goes," Duper said. "But we really put a number on them.

Humphries finished with 18 completions in 44 attempts for 140 yards. Eric Bieniemy, with 26 yards on four carries, was the Chargers' leading rusher, while Marion Butts gained 25 yards on seven attempts. "If ever there was a total effort, that was it," said Shula, whose Dolphins won the 1972 and '73 Super

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### The Hugging President

WASHINGTON — I am find-ing out things about Presi-dent-elect Clinton very slowly. I altended a gathering at Hilton hy the president."

Head over the holidays. Once a The worst thing United States gather on this East Coast island to solve the problems of the world, and define the future for all mankind.

Which brings me to Presidentelect Clinton. I had a chance to study him at close hand. I was as near to him on one occasion as you are to the newspaper you Here's what I found out:

Our future president is a Buchwald hugger. He hugs everybody --- men. women, children, waiters, busboys, and even the golden arches at Mc-

Donald's. Most people sidle up to him shaking nervously hoping to get nothing more than a handshake. Instead, Clinton sweeps the wellwisher up into his arms and squeezes the breath out of him until the other person cries "Uncle." Anyone is entitled to a hug from Clinton, even if the person voted

for Ross Perol. One evening I was heading for the har with Doug Marlette, the incorruptible cartoonist for Newsday, when he disappeared. I turned

#### Xian Discovery: Women Warriors

Agence France-Presso

B ELIING — More than 200 pottery figures depicting armored women on horsehack have been discovered in a 2.000-year-old imperial tomb outside Xian, the Xinhua news agency reported Monday.

The women warriors were among 1,000 pottery figures with wooden arms found at the tomb of Emperor Liu Qi (188 to 141 B.C.) of the Western Han Dynasty.

The burial pits, 22 kilometers (14 miles) south of Xian, were discovered in 1990 during the construction of a highway, Xinhua said.

The worst thing in the world for year some of the finest minds in the a political cartoonist is to be coopted by a president. Once he is

engulied in the president's arms, he is compromised for life. When Dong came back he was shaken and his face had turned white. I tried to get by him hut he just granbed me.

"I'm so ashamed." he said. "You're full of it, Doug." I told him. "You liked it. Why don't you admit that you would rather be hugged by Clinton than win a Pu-

"How come he didn't hug'you?"

Doug asked. Because I climbed out a back

window and he didn't see me." Jim Freedman, the president of Dartmouth College, and a serious historian of note, said, "We're going to have a lot of hugging in this administration — even more than under Lyndon Johnson. Bill Clinton is the first president we've had since Andrew Jackson who could

hug and jog at the same time."
I asked Freedman if he thought that hugging would be part of Clin-ton's foreign policy.

"There is no doubt that it will be

one of his key foreign strategies. Once Clinton purs his arms around the Japanese prime minister and holds him tight, the prime minister will say, 'Well, it's better than what Bush did to me."

"Do you envision a hugging match between Boris Yelisin and Bill Clinton?

"Very easily. Historically, the Russians have been the greatest huggers in the world, but when Clinton and Yeltsin hug each other.

put your money on the American." Freedman felt that if there is any trouble over diplomatic hugging, it will be with France. François Mitterrand has said on many occasions, "France may hug others, but reserves the right to he bugged in

Finally I posed the question that everyone was dying to ask.
"Should Bill Clinton hug George

Bush on Inauguration Day immediately after he is sworn in?" Freedman replied, "Only if Bush

### Liam Neeson: On Several Waterfronts

By Francis X. Clines New York Times Service

N EW YORK — Liam Neeson was letting a bit of his subliminated Irishness show, worrying like Yeats about his stony epitaph. "Is this what's going to be on my tombstone? He dated Julia Roberts and Barbra Streisand."

The actor, for all his careful study of Hollywood and its narcissistic folkways. was railing pleasantly at how his social and personal life gets misrepresented in what for the last five years has been his hometown, the Hollywood Hills, an ocean and a culture away from Ballymena, County Antrim, the small rural town where he was boro in Northern Ireland.

His point is well taken, of course. How can the gossips of Tinseltown imply he's just a 6-foot-4 (1.93-meter) Celtic hunk on the evidence of a few celebrity dates and friendships, when Neeson is in the midst of a more than average run of acting, recharging himself in what he talks of as his ancient craft of itinerant pretenders and vagabond make-believers.

Just his sort of people, he says thankfully. Neeson is also a big handsome man with a memorable look of self-doubt on his broad face.

This is a casting quality that seems to pass as easily for urhan angst, as in one of the confused-lover roles that he played in Woody Allen's "Husbands and Wives," or even self-comedy, as in his part as a Kan-sas sheriff in Steve Martin's new film,

"Leap of Faith."

Fresh from gimping about in the title role of the forthcoming film version of Edith Wharton's "Ethan Frome." Neeson is taking a 10-week break from Hollywood to appear on Broadway in the Roundahout Theatre Company production of "Anna Christie."

This is Eugene O'Neill's ever-dark evergreen ahout failed life and love on the seafaring fringe. It opens on Thursday at the Criterion Center with Neeson playing the drunken, lyrical suitor to Natasha Richardson's fallen Anna, and Rip Torn as her sad, sodden father,
With this, his first stage role in eight

years, the 40-year-old actor is consciously trying to have it both ways. By doing some heavy lifting for the vagabond craft to sharpen his edge. Neeson hopes to return to the Hollywood Hills for another crack at the crass art of becoming box office. He speaks of it that hluntly, invoking Gary Cooper and James Cagney as ghostly role models for his goal of seeing if he can master the right mix of the acting and

money arts. "They don't give a damn out there if you did the greatest Hamlet of the decade or whatever," he says. "But if you're in a hit film - doesn't matter if you're an average



actor, a competent actor or not — then you'll be the flavor. They'll send you scripts and they'll evolve films around

"Nowadays, if you've got a ponytail and a nice Armani suit and the gift of the gab you can make it in Hollywood," he says, mourning the old days he imagines when there was at least a studio craft system.
"But I'd love to be in a hit film." he has

after that. Thus far, Neeson carefully measures his journeyman's strivings in 15 films across five years, incidentally describing a Hollywood that is strange and ingrown enough to seem just over the rise from Ballymena.

to admit, "And then I'll decide the life

Neeson, his voice low and sardonic, makes the Hollywood thicket seem at least as real and foggy as O'Neill's waterfront,
"It will be interesting after this play to see
how long I can take it back there," says the actor, whose experience is grounded in the Irish and English stage.

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ly not in Ireland," says Neeson, who took a flier from those workplaces in 1987 and gambled on cracking the movies, arriving in Los Angeles, he recalls, with just five weeks' rent and a resolve not to be narrow-

ly typecast as a boy-o off the boat. "I told these guys: 'Please don't say I'm an Irish actor, "he recalls of the agents he hired. "I'm an actor. An actor who wants to audition for parts for an actor my age."

About "Ethan Frome," to he released in the United States on Feb. 26, and his role of almost inarticulate pathos demanding the twisted-body acting of a Lon Chaney, he says he is pleased — as much for the movie's lean economics as its artistic goals.

"I'm very proud of that - made for \$2.4 million when the average Hollywood film costs 525 million," he stresses. Less certainly, he adds about the film directed by John Madden: "I'm scared to say it's my best work, but I feel the role suits me and I suit the role."

Neeson says O'Neill reminds him of some of the O'Casey and other Irish masterworks he did at the Abbey Theatre in work is, It's not in London and it's certain- Dublin, "A poetic construction," he says. "You can really go for this stuff. It's not like Stoppard, where you play with words or everybody hides emotions\_through wonderfully odd sentences. This guy O'Neill goes straight for it.

The play is unbelievably passionate and everybody bares their soul," he says about the rehearsals, pleased at the chance to work with Natasha Richardson, who talked him into playing Mat Burke, the broken-hearted coal stoker.

So the O'Neill sounds as though it will do as a breather, even if it may not be the real-life struggle of Hollywood. "In the early days of rehearsing. I was seeing how far I could go. I was far too theatrical. But the play holds you up. Twelve hours of rehearsals a day and you'll still do two more at the pub later talking about it."

He stops for a kind of epitaph worthy of a tombstone in Hollywood, not Ballymena. "Sometimes I'm sitting out there in L. A. by my pool and it's 85 degrees and I suddenly think, 'I'm lonesome.' And then I take a fresh look about me, and I say. Stuff it, I'm doing all right here — I could be digging ditches back in Ireland."

### PEOPLE

#### When Is a French Film Not a French Film?

Cultural imperialism: The sequel. The French Academy of Cin-ematic Art and Technology has set off a brouhaha by barring loreignlanguage films from contention for its annual Cesar awards - the French equivalent of the Oscars, Jean-Jacques Annaud and Chule Berri, two of France's leading film makers, resigned from the academy, saying the decision was shortsighted in an age when and sences were increasingly clamoring for films made in English. Some of 1992's top films involving Frenchdirectors, actors or money were made in English, including Annaud's "The Lover." Louis Maile's 'Damage" and Ridley Scott's "1492: Conquest of Paradise" starring Gérard Depardien. They can be in contention only for the Cesar for best foreign film.

Princess Diana has made Prince Charles clear out his belongings from Kensington Palace, their London home until their separation last month, the British rabs say. "Throne Out," the Daily Mirror chirped in a front-page report that the princess wanted all traces of her estranged husband removed from the palace.

Friends and admirers gathered at the Opera Garnier in Paris on Mon-day to pay tribute to Rudolph Nigeyev, who died Wednesday at the age of 54. Fans laid flowers at the foot of a life-size photograph of the baller star. His funeral will be at the Opera on Tuesday.

It looks like a June wodding for Crown Prince Naruhito of Japan and his fiancee, Masako Owada. Kvodo News Service reports the 32vear-old heir to the imperial throne plans to marry on June 3, but the palace has not confirmed that

Frank Sinatra is this year's recipient of the Palm Springs Interna-tional Film Festival's Golden Palm Award, which he received at a dinner attended by his show business friends. Last year's honoree, James Stewart, presented the award.

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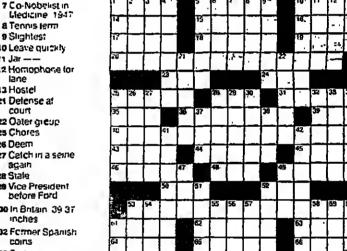
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### **HOROWITZ:**

#### His Life and Music

By Harold C. Schonberg, 427 pages. \$27.50. Simon and Schus-

LADIMIR Horowitz, who

died three years ago at 86, was a 20th-century pianist with a 19thcentury attitude toward his work. A performing musician, he once said, may sit down and play one passage one way and then perhaps exagger-ate the next, but in any event, he must do something with the music." Therefore, he concluded: "The

worst thing is not to do anything. It

may even be something you don't like, but do it!" Few contemporary

musicians follow this principle, and

even fewer admit to following it.

The durability of Horowitz's astonishing success is the result of his having been an anachronism. For about six weeks in 1987. Harold C. Schonberg, a former chief music critic of The New York Times, helped Horowitz to begin recounting his life story, to produce Reviewed by Harvey Sachs "as-told-to" autobiography of

> use of their taped conversations. The book has many defects. Ton much space is taken up with quotations from newspaper reviews of Horowitz's performances. The text seems to have been hastily edited; it is disorganized and sometimes re-

the pianist. Horowitz eventually

withdrew from the project, but Schonberg has been able to make

**BOOKS** 

The complicated Horowitz family relationships are described in a onesided, two-dimensional way. Schonherg's style sometimes

slips into the hackneyed, and he is not always careful about details. For example, Horowitz's March 1987 recording sessions for Mo-zart's Piano Concerto in A major. (K. 488) are described as if they took place after his final concerts in June 1987 and only a few months before his final public appearance. But his final professional appearance was a record-signing sess in Manhattan in October 1989.

discusses Horowitz's approach to his work and when he assesses the

Schonberg is at his best when he

Horowitz recordings in the book's appendices. He is obviously fascinated by the subject and he communicates his enthusiasm to the reader. Harvey Sachs, whose most recent

book, "Reflections on Toscanini," was published last year, wrote this

for The New York Times.

By Robert Byrne

master from Worcester, Massachuettes, found himself in a desperate position in his game with Walter Browne, a Berkley grandmaster, in the second round of the United States Championship in Durango. Colorado. The action took place on

5e4 Nc3 6hc, is currently the most h5. popular method for White: it B heightens the hypermodern con-flict between the white pawn center virtue of having won a key game and the black counterattacks The center of attention had been

clear superiority for White. That is LYA Gurevich, an international one of the reasons there has been considerable experimentation with 10 Rcl: the positional point is that 10 ...cd 11 cd Na5 12 Bd3 Be6 would now he rebuffed by 13 d5

White is not discomfited by 10...cd 11 cd Qa5 because after 12 Kf1!?, his king is unassailable and December 3, 1992,
The Exchange Variation against the Gruenfeld Defense, 4 cd Nd5

Kf1!?, his king is unassailable and he hopes to make use of not having castled by attacking with b4 and Black qualifies as an expert on

without risking any sacrifice,

against the Latvian grand Aleksei Shirov in the in the 1990 World Junior Championship in 10 O-O od 11 od Bg4 12 f3 Na5!?, Santiago, Chile. It went, 12...Bd7 but neither accepting Black's sacri13 h4 Rfc8 14 h5 Nd8 15 f3 Bb5 fice with 13 Bf7 Rf7 14fg, nor offerand worked well for Black. Moreing a sacrifice with 13 Bd3 Be6 14 over, an Ionescu-Rogozenko game d5 Bal 15 Qal 16 had created any this year in Bucharest diverged

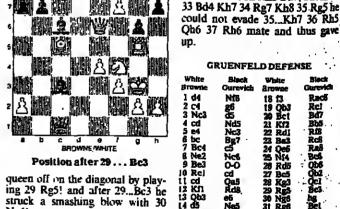
from this with 14...e5 and proved satisfactory for Black. But this time Gurevich apparently wanted something more aggressive and chose Brown pounced upon it at once

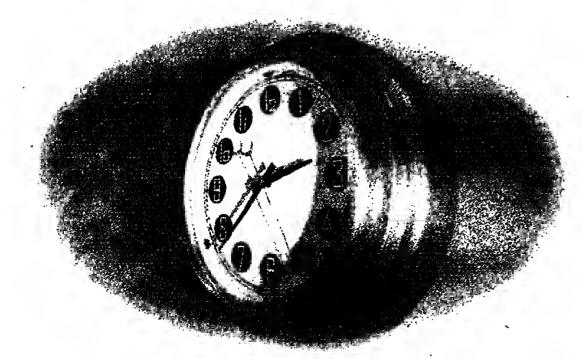
with a powerful new move. 13 Qb3! after 13...e6 14 d5! Ne5 15 de Nc4 16 ef Kh8 17 Qc4, what did Gurevich have that compensated him for the loss of two pawns? After 21 Kf2. Gurevich had no counterattack at all and, in a few moves, with 23 Ba3. Brown had taken over the attack. He was ready to repulse 23. Ba4 by 24 Qd5 Qd5 25 Rd5 Rc8 26 Nf4! with a decisive threat of 27 Ne6. Browne's 25 Nf4! threatened 26

Ng6! hg 27 Qh3, forcing mate. On 25...Bc6 he reinstated the threat hy cutting off the black queen with 26 On 28...Qct, he cut the black defense by 31...Kh7 because of 32



Position after 29 . . . Bc3 queen off on the diagonal by play-





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